

ARBUCKLE DEFENSE IS DECLARED LYING ABOUT MISS RAPPE

San Francisco, Nov. 1.—Charging that the defense of Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle is circulating "lies and propaganda" concerning the case of Virginia Rappe, for the purpose of swaying public opinion, District Attorney Matthew Brady challenged the defense to a trial of the characters of the dead girl and of Arbuckle.

His statement was the result of statements made by witnesses to Chicago, whose testimony was taken for the defense, in the form of depositions. Brady's statement said:

"Such propaganda is to be regretted. It would seem sufficient that the life of Virginia Rappe has been taken, without resorting to the blackening of her character after death."

STATEMENTS STAMPED FALSE
"Of course, I did not know Miss Rappe personally during her lifetime, but the evidence in my possession stamps such statements as false."

"The result of the postmortem and the testimony of the surgeons who performed the postmortem show that Virginia Rappe had never been a mother, and further show that she was well and strong at the time of her death. The conflicting dispatches from Chicago destroy each other."

"On the one hand we have an alleged statement from one Bates, a traveling salesman, address not given, that the child of Virginia Rappe is living somewhere on the north side of Chicago with her foster parents; then comes an alleged friend and nurse who testified that Virginia Rappe's child lived but a short time."

"In view of the medical testimony in my possession, those Chicago statements give me no concern, an dare obviously put out for the sole purpose of swaying public opinion."

"It is my duty to try Roscoe Arbuckle for manslaughter, and not to try the reputation of this young girl. It is the desire and purpose of the defense to try reputation, we will start with the reputation of the defendant, Roscoe Arbuckle."

ARBUCKLE UNFIT, SAYS BRADY

"I have in my possession, as a result of my trip to Los Angeles, sufficient data and facts which, if made public, would not only utterly destroy any sympathy which may exist in the public mind in favor of Arbuckle, but which would prove conclusively that Arbuckle was not fit to associate with Miss Rappe during her lifetime, even if all the lies and propaganda now being circulated by the defense against her reputation were true."

MOVIE ACTOR DESCRIBES ARBUCKLE'S BOOZE PARTY

New York, Nov. 1.—(U. P.)—Lowell Sherman, movie actor and member of the Arbuckle party in San Francisco Labor day, which preceded the death of Virginia Rappe, appeared before David Myer here today and gave a deposition, detailing the story of the party. Myer was appointed by District Attorney Matthew Brady to take Sherman's testimony.

The hearing was conducted under the supervision of Acting District Attorney J. Stanton.

Soldier Who Killed 19 Germans Given Belated Mention

Washington, Nov. 1.—(U. N. S.)—Sergeant Samuel Woodfill, United States Army regular, came marching into Washington Monday afternoon and found that after nearly three years he had been discovered by the war department as a hero.

Sergeant Woodfill came here to act as a body bearer during the burial exercises of an unknown soldier on November 11, but his arrival was made the occasion for an announcement from the war department that General Pershing in a recent review of deeds of valor had decided that Woodfill is entitled to special mention.

Woodfill, a lieutenant, during the World war, led his men into three German machine gun nests in rapid succession and in fact was so far in the lead of his men that he had to do most of the "mopping up" of the nests single-handed. At any rate he cleaned out three nests all by himself, expended all his ammunition and finally attacked the enemy with a pickaxe, which he found very effective. When he had finished, 19 Germans were dead at his hand.

Sergeant Woodfill has a bracelet of medals, American and foreign.

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