

ACCUSED OF KILLING PRIEST

Lowell Sherman Questioned in Arbuckle Case

STORY IS TOLD OF PARTY HELD BY FAT ACTOR

Film Artist Says Everyone Considered Miss Rappe 'Had Bun on' and Didn't Take it Seriously.

ALL LIQUORED UP, PLAYER TELLS SWANN

Women Crowd Police Court When Comedian Appears Before Police Judge

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—District Attorney Swann today obtained from Lowell Sherman, motion picture actor, a graphic account of the party in San Francisco which had for an epilogue the death of Virginia Rappe. Sherman, who attended the party staged in the rooms of "Fatty" Arbuckle, now facing a charge of murder, was located by the district attorney's office after he had jumped off the Twentieth Century at Harmon, N. Y., yesterday and disappeared in an automobile with a woman.

Found in his apartment here, Sherman explained that the woman was his wife, that he had sought to elude publicity and that he had been waiting for an invitation to appear at the district attorney's office. He professed himself ready to return west to testify at the Arbuckle trial.

Everyone Full

An assertion which appeared several times in Sherman's formal statement, mailed tonight to District Attorney Brady in San Francisco, was that those who attended the party had not felt concerned over Miss Rappe's illness, the consensus of opinion being that she simply had a "bun on." Sherman declared he never had asked Arbuckle what had occurred between him and the girl after they had entered his bedroom and closed the door and Arbuckle never had told him.

Conversation Denied

"Arbuckle did not express to me an opinion as to what was the matter with the girl," he said. "I did not see Arbuckle put his arms around the girl before she went into the bedroom, or put his hands on her. Arbuckle was sitting in the chair next to the sofa on which she sat. He was sitting with a drink in his hand, laughing and talking."

Asserting that Mrs. Delmont, another guest, did not seem to be upset about anything that had happened to Miss Rappe, Sherman continued:

No One Worried

"I do not know whether Mr. Arbuckle communicated with her or asked about her. If he did, he did not do so in my presence. "I never asked Arbuckle what he thought was the matter with the girl. He seemed to have the same opinion as everyone else—that the girl had a bun on and was ill. He did not seem upset about it, any more than anybody at the party."

"I never heard Miss Rappe express an opinion as to what was the matter with her."

Sherman made this statement to newspapermen:

Women Fill Court Room

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 22.—The police court examination of Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle, which will determine whether the film

LIST YOUR SPARE ROOMS TODAY

Beginning at 9 o'clock this morning, all who have rooms to rent during state fair week should telephone the Marion hotel, 2010, with information ready when questions are asked regarding rooms, accommodations and prices.

Mrs. Emma Murphy-Brown, who has had experience in handling rooming problems, and who handled the registration of rooms in Salem during the state convention of Elks a year ago, has been placed in charge.

With Mrs. Brown's experience it is felt that no difficulty will be incurred by those wanting rooms, as the records will be kept up to date each day.

For Friday, Saturday and Sunday, the registration booth will be open from 9 o'clock in the morning until 4:30 o'clock in the evening. During the state fair, the registration booth will be open day and night, or at least until late in the evening in order that all comers may be cared for properly.

Mrs. Brown has secured the help of assistants who have had work in registering rooms. The booth will be in the lobby of the Marion hotel and special telephone connections made from the hotel number, 2010, to the registration phone.

ANYBODY'S GUESS WHO WILL BE NEXT SALEM POSTMASTER

Senator Charles L. McNary is now on his way to Washington, D. C., after a visit home of several weeks, and to the great sorrow of a number of prospects, nothing occurred during the senator's visit to indicate which way the wind was blowing that might finally dislodge the one Republican plan that still hangs high—referring of course to the appointment of a postmaster for Salem.

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE MUST BE FILED BY ALL TEACHERS

Those in charge of private or parochial schools, who permit teachers to enter on their duty without taking an oath of allegiance to the United States, will be guilty of misdemeanor, and upon conviction, will be subject to a fine of not more than \$100.

This is in accordance with chapter 115, general laws of Oregon, 1921. By private or parochial schools is meant any academy or school of a private nature, college or university or any institution of learning.

The law states that as a part of a teacher's contract, he or she must take an oath of allegiance that he or she will teach respect for the flags of the United States and of Oregon, and that they will teach reverence for law and order and allegiance to the government.

Officers Still Baffled By Triple Murder Case

DOAWAGAIC, Mich., Sept. 22.—While county authorities today continued efforts to solve the mystery surrounding the murder of William Monroe, his wife and 17-year-old daughter, Neva, three physicians testified before the county coroner's jury that marks found on the body of Neva, and her 10-year-old sister, Ardith, who was beaten with the club with which the others were killed, indicated that the girls might have been subjected to an assault.

Stefansson Party Found Thriving Well in North

NOME, Alaska, Sept. 22.—Debarcation on Wrangell island, north of Siberia, of the advance party sent to the Arctic regions by Vilhjalmur Stefansson, the Canadian explorer, was reported here today by the power schooner Eye, returning from the Polar north. The schooner brought the news that the landing had been successful. When last seen the explorers were in good health, and eager to make a detailed study of the bleak places stretching above Asia. The voyage was made without encountering ice.

Plot Nipped for General Penitentiary Delivery

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Sept. 22.—Thirty-four men are under arrest here as a result of the discovery of a plot to make possible a wholesale escape of prisoners from the Missouri penitentiary, according to prison officials.

THE WEATHER

Friday: Fair; gentle westerly winds.

TAX REVISION CHANGES ARE PUT FORWARD

Two Democratic Senators Would Reduce Normal Rate on Small Incomes—Figures are Quoted.

FEDERAL LEVY ON GASOLINE PROPOSED

General Attack is Levelled At Measure Now Pending in Congress

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—Reductions in the normal tax rates on individual incomes of \$15,000 or less and a graduated tax of from 10 to 20 per cent on the incomes of corporations in place of the suggested flat rate of 15 per cent, were proposed in amendments to the Republican tax revision bill offered today in the senate by Senators Walsh, Massachusetts, and Gerry, Rhode Island, Democrats, on the finance committee.

To make up the \$105,000,000 loss from the tax on the individual incomes, it was proposed that a tax of 1 cent a gallon be imposed at the source and that the capital stock tax, yielding around \$50,000,000 annually, be retained. The majority bill provides for repeal of this tax, effective in 1922.

Graduations Explained

Under the Gerry amendment, taxpayers whose net income is less than \$5,000 would pay a normal rate of 2 per cent instead of 4 per cent on \$4,000 as provided in the revised bill; taxpayers whose net income is between \$5,000 and \$10,000 would pay a normal tax of 4 per cent in excess over \$5,000; taxpayers whose net income is over \$10,000 and \$15,000 would pay a normal tax of 6 per cent on the excess over \$10,000, instead of 8 per cent on the excess over \$4,000.

Incomes in excess of \$15,000 would pay 8 per cent on all over that amount, but, it was explained, they would receive the benefit of the lowered normal tax up to \$15,000. The surtax rates as fixed by the finance committee would remain unchanged.

Proposal Defeated

Under the corporation income tax amendment offered by Senator Walsh, the rate on the first \$100,000 of corporation net income would be 10 per cent; that on the income between \$100,000 and \$300,000 would be 15 per cent and that on the income in excess of \$300,000 would be 20 per cent.

"This schedule," said a statement issued by Senators Walsh and Gerry, "will reduce the tax on the net incomes of 195,000 corporations on which the Republican majority bill increases the tax from 10 per cent to 15 per cent, while it increases the tax on only about 400 corporations which have a net income of more than \$200,000 each per year."

More Equitable, Claim

"We believe our program is more equitable because it provides that corporations like individuals of small incomes shall bear a less tax burden than those corporations of large income."

Two Plans Compared

The loss to the government by our plan will amount to about \$105,000,000, yet the Republican majority bill eliminates the excess profits taxes and reduced the revenue of the government \$450,000,000. There should be no reduction of the substantial character proposed by the Republican majority, leading to such tremendous reductions in the needed revenue of the government as the interest of excessive profit-making corporations, without providing for a just and equitable reduction to the individual whose income is less than \$15,000."

Bill Claimed Defective

"The bill," it said, "continues in the main, all the annoying and burdensome income and other tax provisions of the present law."

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53 WITNESSES ARE ASKED IN MURDER CASE

District Attorney Neuner Places Subpoenas in Hands of Sheriff Starmer

ROSEBURG, Ore., Sept. 22.—District Attorney George Neuner today placed in the hands of Sheriff Sam Starmer 53 subpoenas for as many witnesses who will testify for the state against Dr. R. M. Brumfield, alleged slayer of Denis Russ at the trial which will start October 1.

Several of the witnesses subpoenaed are in Calgary, Canada, where Dr. Brumfield was arrested. The defense has not yet completed the list of its witnesses but expects to have its subpoenas out within a short time.

MONTANA SLAYER GETS BREAKFAST

Chester Powell Tells Woman He Has Two More Men Stated for Death

MISSOULA, Mont., Sept. 22.—Chester Powell, sought by a posse for the alleged murder of his wife during an argument over a load of wood Friday, appeared at a mountain cabin this morning and forced a woman at the point of a gun to get out of bed and cook breakfast for him, according to a report received here. After eating he vanished in the brush.

Powell told the woman, the report states, that he was waiting for a chance to kill two men, J. E. Munce and E. M. Dewing, and that after that, he would kill himself. He said that he had been in hiding in nearby marshes. The woman's cabin is near Powell's own mountain home.

Officer Gets Still and Mash at Mt. Angel

When Special Agent S. B. Sander called on M. D. Travis, Mt. Angel plumber, Wednesday, a 12-gallon still and four gallons of blackberry "wash" were seized by the prohibition enforcement officer.

Temblor Hits Portland, Lasts Twenty Seconds

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 22.—Portland experienced a slight earth shock at 11:20 a. m. today, according to Edward L. Wells, head of the government weather bureau here, and numerous other residents who felt the tremors.

Ku Klux Klan Welcomes Impartial Investigation

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 22.—The Ku Klux Klan will welcome impartial investigation and will open its books and records to federal authorities William J. Simmons, imperial wizard, said in a statement tonight when informed that the department of justice might summon him to Washington for interrogation. He denied that the imperial klonitium, council of the order, had been summoned to meet to consider newspaper reports now being published about the Ku Klux Klan.

Death Penalty Sought

Another witness said Mrs. Mahoney had worn a checked apron the last time she was seen. Such an apron was found in the trunk recovered from the lake, according to testimony.

Prisoner Identified

E. K. Boyd, a hardware dealer, identified Mahoney as the man who on April 16 bought a quantity of rope and unslacked lime. The purchase was said to have been charged to "Mrs. Moores." The body found in the trunk had been treated with quicklime, so that the features were unrecognizable, physicians said.

Freight Rate Reductions Are Effective October 3

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 22.—The recently announced rate reduction on vegetables and melons on rail carriers between California and Oregon points west, will go into effect October 3, the Southern Pacific company and Atchafson, Topeka & Santa Fe railroads, companies here, announced today. The reductions range from 7 1/2 to 15 1/2 per cent.

First National Bank at Denton, Mont., Robbed

LEWISTOWN, Mont., Sept. 22.—Ninety-two safety deposit boxes and \$166 in silver were stolen from the First National bank at Denton, Mont., 40 miles north of here, at an early hour this morning. The value of the contents of the boxes is not known. The robbers broke a hole through a wall of the vault and carried the loot away in an automobile.

MONEY DRAWN FROM BANK BY MRS. MAHONEY

Death Penalty is Asked by State in Trial of Man Accused of Slaying Aged, Wealthy Bride

MANY WITNESSES ARE CALLED ON FIRST DAY

Defendant Said to Have Complained That Wife Was too Stingy

SEATTLE, Sept. 22.—Kate M. Mahoney, wealthy and elderly bride, whose mutilated body is said to have been found in a trunk in Lake Union here, drew \$1000 from a safe deposit box on the day before she disappeared, according to testimony adduced by the state in superior court here today at the trial of her husband, James E. Mahoney, charged with her murder.

This evidence was given by J. T. Klette, a garage owner, who quoted a conversation with the missing woman April 16. He said she told him she had drawn the money, and that she and "Jim" were leaving next day for St. Paul, where her husband was to "sell a patent and get a lot of money."

Banker on Stand

Elmer A. Antes, a vault custodian, testified that Mrs. Mahoney visited her deposit box twice on April 15. Previous to that, he added, she frequently had opened the box and usually had been accompanied by Mahoney.

The state called many witnesses today, some testifying to slight incidents—thin threads of the circumstantial evidence on which the prosecution bases its charge of premeditated murder.

Justice Called

Justice of the Peace J. W. Hoar told of performing the marriage ceremony for Mahoney and Kate Moores February 10. A bank teller related that Mrs. Mahoney had bought \$450 worth of travelers' checks April 15. Several other witnesses, telling of purported chats with Mahoney and his wife, repeated their alleged plans to visit St. Paul and other cities.

E. M. Klette, who was a neighbor of the Mahoneys, said he had asked Mrs. Mahoney why she had not put the whole \$1600 into travelers' checks, but she had replied:

"Jim didn't want me to. He said we'd have trouble getting them cashed."

Conway's Joyous Mood Depries Him of Cot

Patrick Conway, joyously and exuberantly, swayed supposedly by the effects of liquor of an unknown power, danced himself out of a bed and warm blankets last night.

Evans Pleads Not Guilty of Murdering James Doran

THE DALLES, Ore., Sept. 22.—Abe Evans today entered a plea of not guilty to a charge of having murdered James Doran, McMinnville rancher, for the purpose of robbery, when arraigned in the circuit court. Trial date was set for Thursday, September 29.

REPORT MADE BY TWO BANKS AT SILVERTON

Excellent Showing is Made in Summary of Resources and General Condition

SILVERTON, Or., Sept. 22.—(Special to The Statesman).—According to the most recent statements published by the two Silverton banks the total resources of the banks were \$1,637,224.31. The total loans and discounts were \$931,486.29.

The individual deposits subject to check in the two Silverton banks amounted to \$648,760.64. The time deposits in the banks as reported were \$773,116.79. The capital stock of the two banks is \$85,000, and the surplus is \$25,000.

According to statements the two banks had invested the sum of \$83,325.80 in United States government bonds. In addition to this amount of government bonds owned by Silverton banks, they have invested \$127,102.78 in municipal bonds, warrants and other securities.

25 CENTS BRINGS TRUTH FROM BOY

Spot Where Playmate's Body Lies Pointed Out After Hours of Work

SPOKANE, Wash., Sept. 22.—A bribe of cents offered to 9-year-old William Baraf resulted today in the finding of the body of William McLachlin, 8 years old, in the Spokane river, after the Baraf boy had first stated that the McLachlin boy had been covered by a slide in a sand pit and later told the police that he had last seen the missing lad when he left them to return to a sand pit. Tons of sand were removed in an effort to find the boy.

William McLachlin failed to return home Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Alex McLachlin, the boy's parents, were told by William Baraf that his twin brother George, police say, that they had last seen the missing lad when he left them to return to a sand pit. Tons of sand were removed in an effort to find the boy.

Today the police questioned the twins again, and they said the body was in a pond. Later they pointed out the exact spot, the police say, where the boy was supposed to have disappeared.

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COAST BASEBALL!

PORTLAND 7, PORTLAND 2
PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 22.—San Francisco made it three straight over the Beavers, winning today 7 to 2. Ellison was hit hard and errors contributed to his defeat. O'Doul was in trouble only once, and scored finally in winning by hitting four singles in six innings.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS

San Francisco	102	75	276
Sacramento	100	79	269
Los Angeles	99	75	265
Oakland	96	77	258
Vernon	90	87	252
Portland	73	100	217
Portland	47	124	27

BENDER HELD AS SLAYER IN HESLIN CASE

Attorney Herron, Representing Hightower, Causes Arrest of Man Who Escaped Maryland Prison.

DOLLY MASON ALSO SAID TO BE FOUND

Woman Declared Consort of Men Recently in Custody At San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 22.—Two men—William A. Hightower, itinerant baker, and David Bender, escaped convict of the Maryland penitentiary—are now officially charged with murder in connection with the death of Father Patrick E. Heslin, Colma Catholic priest. The body of Father Heslin was found early last month buried in a shallow grave at Salada Beach, south of San Francisco.

A warrant charging Bender with the slaying of Father Heslin was obtained at Colma today by William F. Herron, counsel for William A. Hightower, arrested after he had led San Francisco officers and newspaper reporters to the grave. Hightower is held in jail at Redwood City, Calif., awaiting trial which has been set for early in October.

Authorities announced tonight that no decision had been reached as to the serving of the warrant against Bender. He was arrested here several weeks ago and is now being returned to the Maryland Penitentiary where he was serving a 15-year sentence for the alleged murder of a Baltimore policeman.

Incriminating evidence against Bender has been obtained, Herron announced. He said he also had located Dolly Mason, from whom Hightower declared he received his information as to the location of the

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