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CRIME CHARGES SPLIT CHICAGO

Party Factions Are at Loggerheads Over Charges by Two Groups

FEELING GROWS INTENSE

City and State Officials Said to Have Attended Banquets Contributed to by the Underworld

CHICAGO, March 1.—(By Associated Press.)—With the city's crime conditions and hints of political significance formally aired at Washington, in the petition of the Chicago Better Government association for a congressional inquiry, Chicago republican factions are at loggerheads.

Intense feeling here today centered about two photographs circulated in connection with the petition charges that States Attorney Crowe was a guest at a 124 banquet given by the Genna brothers and other gangsters.

One of the pictures was printed by the Chicago Tribune today and was a reproduction of the speakers' table at the banquet referred to in the petition presented to the senate Saturday by Vice President Dawes. It showed Mr. Crowe, Secretary of State Emmerson, Lieutenant Governor Sterling and other state and municipal officials seated at the table.

Friends of the state's attorney pointed out that several representatives of the opposing faction, headed by Senator Densen, were also in the photographs and a second picture of a party given in 1925 by "Diamond Joe" Esposito, Italian boss and alleged bootlegger, showed Senator Densen and others as guests.

Rev. E. L. Williams, law enforcement director of the better government association returned today from Washington and issued a statement denying that the petition for a senate investigation of conditions in Chicago was drawn with the assistance of politicians.

"The banquet picture printed by the Tribune," he asserted, "shows the best reason why I would not have conferred with either side."

SANITY IS QUESTIONED

LIQUOR CASE PRINCIPAL ASPIRES TO MAYORALTY

SEATTLE, March 1.—(By Associated Press.)—Louis Cobb, dismissed defendant in the Olmstead liquor conspiracy case, told a sanity commission here today that he had bet \$160 to \$5,000 that he would be Seattle's next mayor. The committee recommended that Cobb be put in a hospital 60 days for observation. Judge Everett Smith is to decide on the matter tomorrow.

When asked if he believed he could still be elected mayor at the final election March 9, Cobb replied: "Well, worse things have happened. It's a good bet if I lose."

PRISON HERO IS FREED

SENTENCE SHORTENED TO REWARD FLAX FIRE AID

As a reward for his heroic service during the recent incendiary fire in the state prison flax plant, George Williams will be released from the penitentiary today. It was announced yesterday by Governor Pierce, after he had commuted Williams' sentence of five years to four years and 10 months. Williams was received at the prison from Baker county for manslaughter.

It was due largely to Williams' service that the blaze confined to a small area. Prison officials declared. Later he was attacked by two fellow convicts while in the prison yard, and received injuries which sent him to the institution hospital.

H. W. Kelley, another convict, who was seriously hurt in an accident in the prison flax plant some time ago, will also be released today, after his sentence had been cut from five years to four years and nine months. He was received from Lane county on a forgery charge.

Professor, Two Students Stage Impromptu Concert

Three Resign From Oregon University as Result of "Indiscreet Behavior;" Greek and Latin Mentor Quits, Says "He Is Not Enjoying Himself."

EUGENE, Or., March 1.—J. E. Ainsworth Johnstone, assistant professor of Greek and Latin at the University of Oregon, and Frank Miller Chapman and Herbert McIntyre Graham, both of Portland, students at the university law school have severed connections with the university as the result of "indiscreet behavior" it was announced by officials here today.

The resignation of Professor Johnstone comes, it is said, as the result of an early morning gathering of the tutor and two students in Villard hall on the campus, February 20, when a party termed "a bit noisy" was featured by an impromptu concert and the trio was requested to leave the building at 4 a. m.

The two students had not been on the campus for two weeks and escaped the discipline that would surely have been meted out by the administration committee.

Professor Johnstone admitted that a party had been held and denied that there had been any liquor consumed.

"I have found myself temperamentally incompatible with conditions as they are at Oregon," he offered. "The things that I like to do are not understood, and I resent restrictions. A man who is interested in music late at night is said to be peculiar here. If anything is done at night, an explanation is sought which charges drunkenness. No such charges have been made by the university officials. It was really a mutual agreement between the administrative officials and myself. I am not enjoying myself here."

Professor Johnstone graduated from Oxford in 1924.

NINA WILLIAMS TAKES DIAMOND RING CONTEST

WINNER ASKED TO REPORT TO OFFICE AT ONCE

Many Contestants Close as Radio Set Offer Opens; Workers Are Very Active

By Auto Contest Editor

After checking and rechecking very, very carefully the amount of subscription cash received from February 8 to February 27, the Automobile Contest Editor decided that Nina Williams was the winner of the diamond ring and if this young lady will come to the Statesman office we will give her an order for the ring and she can go to Burnett Bros. jewelry store, get the ring, have it fitted to her finger, and enjoy it as long as she likes.

Congratulations are in order today for Miss Williams, for a contestant who has the ability to surpass the splendid efforts of all the other contestants is entitled to all the praise that it is possible to bestow on her, and other contestants will no doubt throw up their hats and cheer for the winner, realizing full well that a young lady who has the ability to surpass their own splendid efforts is entitled to all the praise it is possible to bestow on her.

The race was a close one throughout the entire period and it was anybody's race up to the closing hour. While Miss Williams won this splendid prize, there are several other contestants very close to her and a very little effort on the part of several contestants would put them in the lead at the present time. And accordingly, as we enter the radio prize period, several contestants not only start even for the regular prize, but they are almost even in the face for the grand prize.

The announcement of the

WATER SUIT IS STARTED

WOULD PREVENT PAYMENT OF \$2,500 TO APPRAISERS

An injunction against the city of Salem and city officials, to prevent the paying of \$2,500 to Stevens and Koon of Portland for an appraisal of the Salem Water company's plant, was sought yesterday in a complaint filed in the circuit court.

The plaintiffs in the case are T. B. Waldorf, L. H. Suter, F. O. Bartholomew, Carrie E. Bartholomew and Alta M. Chase, all taxpayers and residents of the city. Clyde O. Rice, city treasurer and Mark Poulsen as city recorder, are named defendants in the action. The appraisal of the water plant was recently ordered, with a view to the purchasing of it by the city.

The suit is instituted on the grounds that the city council is unauthorized to pay the amount and that the transfer is illegal. Another point on which the affair is contested lies in the fact that the provision for the amount did not appear in the city budget.

KAY SETS OWN PENALTY

CALLS EXPERIENCE WORTH "ABOUT FIVE DOLLARS"

Thomas B. Kay, state treasurer, Monday had the distinction of being allowed to dictate the amount of his fine for a traffic violation. The state treasurer was arrested Sunday when he failed to observe a stop sign on one of Salem's principal streets.

Upon making his appearance in the recorder's court Monday, Mr. Kay was asked to designate the amount he should pay as a balm for the traffic offense. The state treasurer said he thought the experience was worth about \$5.

AUTO EARNINGS GROW

NEW YORK, March 1.—(AP.)—Earnings of Dodge Brothers Inc., automobile manufacturers, established a new high record in 1925, with net income expanding to \$28,698,846, compared with \$19,955,440 in the preceding year.

JUNK PROBLEM Baffles City

First Bill Dropped as Too Sweeping; Second Ordinance Being Drawn

At the shortest council meeting in the last six months, the matter of purchasing the Kay park site was evidently settled forever, the junk ordinance was rejected on recommendation of the committee, and report of the special committee to confer with the city planning and zoning commission was received.

KAY PARK ISSUE ENDED

Building Code and Permit Petitions Passed to Zoning Commission; Short Session Active

A report was read stating that the Kay park site can be purchased for \$6,000 cash. The deed is at present resting in a local bank, and will be delivered to the city as soon as negotiations are completed. The city authorized definitely the purchase, which will probably be transacted today.

And herewith ends, or apparently ends, a story that has been a point of contention in the city council for nearly a year.

Because the junk ordinance drawn up is said to be too drastic, the ordinance committee recommended that it not pass. The report was adopted by the council. Alderman E. S. Purvine explained that a new ordinance is being drawn up that will attempt to solve the junk problem.

That all petitions for building permits be referred to the zoning

COFFEE VICTIM ACTIVE

ORIGINAL DAMAGE REQUEST OF \$500 JUMPS HIGHER

Allen J. Mitchell, the man who split some hot coffee on his leg at the Salem auto park last year, and who claimed damages amounting to over \$500 was again heard from at the meeting of the city council last night.

Mitchell, through his Iowa attorney, Clark Todd McConnell, refreshes the city's memory that his claim is based on the contention that the table in the park at which he sat was defective. As a slow running sore resulting from the burns is still unhealed, Mitchell wishes now to have the city reimburse him with \$750 damages.

If the city does not show willingness to act in the matter, Mr. Mitchell intimates suit will be started. He contemplates making a trip to the coast this summer, and would like to have the hearing at that time. The communication was referred to the park board and the city attorney.

CAREFUL THERE BROTHER



County Will Join Spring Window Display Festival

City Council Cast Unanimous Vote to Close Streets for Auto and Style Show; 10,000 to Join in First Annual Frolic of Spring

By unanimous vote the city council at its meeting last night voiced its approval of the first annual Window Display Week being promoted by the Salem Ad club.

Permission was granted the Ad club to close Court street from High to Liberty streets and from Liberty to Commercial streets from 7 to 9:30 o'clock on the opening evening, Tuesday, March 16.

These two sections will be used for a grand auto and style show. Extra traffic officers will be hired at the expense of the Ad club to direct traffic from the sections closed.

Mayor J. B. Giesy instructed the committee on health and police and Chief Frank Minto to make arrangements for the routing of the street buses during the hours the street is closed.

Lester Schlosberg, secretary of the Ad club, explained why the week is being introduced by the club.

"In launching this Spring Window Display week, we are trying to take the gloom out of the show windows of Salem," he declared. "We are trying to get people to come to town to window shop."

"Along with the auto show in the two sections of streets we have asked you to close temporarily for us, we will put on a style show. We will have strings of lights along the sides of the street to afford ample light."

"On the opening night, besides the auto show, there will be a dance at the Salem armory to which all are invited, no charge being made. A seven piece orchestra will provide the music. In addition to this, we have hired a band to play on the streets."

"All the show windows in the city are to be dressed behind curtains on the day of the 16th. At 7:30 o'clock in the evening, show windows all over town are to be unveiled simultaneously."

"We hope to make this an annual affair. We believe this annual week will help to bring out-of-town trade to our city. That is one of our aims, to get the people from the surrounding towns to come to Salem on the opening night, and other days of the week to see what Salem has to offer."

"We believe we are not exaggerating when we predict that at least 10,000 people will be on the down town streets of the city on the opening night to view the windows."

Following is the program for opening night:

7:30 to 9:30—Band music.
7:30—Unveiling of show windows. Judges' decisions.
9:30—Free dance at Salem armory. Ad club members on reception committee will wear badges. Santiam Synopators will furnish dance music.

HOBO PROVIDER FAILS

MANY GO HUNGRY WHEN STRANGER FAILS TO SHOW

CHICAGO, March 1.—(By Associated Press.)—Half of the itinerants of West Madison street, thoroughfare of hoboes, became stationary for an hour today at the doors of the hobo college in anticipation of the return of the mysterious and affluent stranger who has appeared daily at the hobo haven to stake the crowd to lunches.

The stranger who refused to reveal his name and who yesterday attracted a crowd of 1,000 and then failed to show up.

"He just made a pile in a big 'crap' game and has blown it," one disappointed hobo surmised. But the majority believed he is at least a big "butter and egg man," and intends to come back tomorrow.

EMPLOYEES ASK FOR MILL

FACTORY WAS TO HAVE BEEN SOLD TO WORKERS, SAID

SEATTLE, March 1.—(By Associated Press.)—Asa Martin, for 22 years an employe of the O. B. Williams company operating a \$250,000 cash and floor factory, filed here today a petition in intervention in the estate of O. B. Williams, founder of the company. The petition asked that provisions of Williams' will, under which the factory was to have been sold to the employes for \$75,000, be executed.

Executors of the will include Hannah E. Williams, widow of O. B. Williams, who died two years ago. She claims half the business as community property, but Martin, representing 55 fellow employes, asserted that Williams had the factory before his marriage.

SEATTLE MAN NAMED

YAKIMA, March 1.—S. B. Sanders of Seattle was re-elected president of the Washington State Agricultural council, an organization of state farm cooperatives, during the annual meeting here today.

DRY INQUIRY IS FROWNED UPON

Secretary Mellon Thinks Little of Andrew's Suggestion for Probe

WASHINGTON, March 1.—(By Associated Press.)—Appointment of a presidential commission to conduct an investigation into the general effect of the prohibition amendment was proposed today by Assistant Secretary Andrews in charge of enforcement, but it was immediately frowned upon by Secretary Mellon.

SAYS PUBLIC VIEW SET

Nation Has Made Up Its Mind One Way or Other, Mellon So States; Inquiry Would Mean Nothing

Expressing the hope that the inquiry started today in the house alcoholic liquor traffic commission into prohibition would result in such a recommendation, Mr. Andrews, speaking informally, said it would do much to quiet the public mind and aid enforcement work.

Secretary Mellon took an opposite view on the proposal of his chief enforcement officer, however, expressing the opinion that the public has made up its mind either for or against prohibition, and such an investigation would be of little help.

Mapping out plans for its study of the effect of the operation of the 18th amendment, the house committee, today decided to call Mr. Andrews as its first witness probably next Monday. Chairman Hudson indicated the proposal of the assistant secretary might be endorsed after a preliminary inquiry by the committee.

Another viewpoint, however, was expressed by Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel of the anti-Saloon League of America. "Congressional leaders are not inclined to authorize any new commission to investigate the results of prohibition," he said. "A congressional committee is the usual one to investigate conditions on which congress acts. The alcoholic liquor traffic committee is making an investigation and this

NARCOTICS ARE SEIZED

OPIUM VALUED AT \$80,000 TAKEN; OWNERS ESCAPE

VICTORIA, B. C., March 1.—(By Associated Press.)—A trunk containing 135 tins of opium and valued at \$80,000 was seized by customs officials here today. It was landed a week ago from the trans-Pacific liner Empress of Russia. The owner failed to appear.

SEATTLE, March 1.—(By Associated Press.)—After federal judge George M. Bourquin of Montana had imposed penalties aggregating sixty days in jail and \$525 in fines on eight persons who pleaded guilty to violating the narcotics laws here today, federal narcotic agents initiated what promised to be a boycott of his court.

Chief Agent Harry V. Williamson directed Agents C. W. Paterson and G. V. Close to file against the eight defendants in the state courts with the hope of obtaining heavier sentences.

FRESHMAN GLEE COMING

ORIGINAL SONGS AND WORDS TO FEATURE EVENING

Freshman Glee, one of the outstanding events of the Willamette school year, will be held Saturday evening at 8:15. The Salem Armory has been engaged for the occasion, as it has a greater seating capacity than the Willamette gymnasium.

Egbert Thompson of Salem, a member of the freshman class, is managing the Glee. Each class will present a song written and composed by its own members. Judges will award respective places to the classes.

Edith Mickey has written the words and composed the music to the senior song. The junior song, words and music, was composed by Malcolm Milder. Louise Findley and Kenneth McCormick collaborated in writing the sophomore song. The music for the freshman song was composed by Carolyn Parker while Crystal Mills wrote the words.

Admission is free. Tickets for the reserved sections have been given to the students. The public is invited.

DRUNKEN DRIVER JAILED

GETS 60 DAYS, \$100 FINE, AND CAR HELD BY COURT

Henry Hansen, 25, a farmer of the Gervais district, received a hard jolt in justice court yesterday when he appeared before Brazer C. Small, justice of the peace, on a charge of driving an automobile while intoxicated.

Entering a plea of guilty to the charge, he was sentenced to 60 days in the county jail, fined \$100, and had his drivers' license taken away for one year. Besides this, Sheriff Bower has been given instructions to hold Hansen's car for a period of 60 days, in accordance with a law passed by the 1925 legislature.

Hansen was arrested Sunday evening by city police and the case was transferred from the city department to the district justice court.

Secretary Mellon's and assistant Secretary Andrews' views on an investigation of prohibition effects were made known.

Monday in Washington

The Muscle Shoals fight was begun in the senate.

Wisconsin won its boundary fight with Michigan.

The Watson-Parker railroad labor bill was passed by the house.

The supreme court held part of Wisconsin's inheritance tax law invalid.

Farm leaders gathered for a conference with members of congress over farm legislation.

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