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GAINES TRIAL IS UNDER WAY

Seattle Man Under Trial Charged With the Murder of Own Daughter

STATE REVIEWS KILLING

Prosecutors Will Attempt to Show That Girl Met Death in Attempt to Discourage Attention

SEATTLE, Aug. 5.—(By Associated Press.)—A story of family quarrels was told in court here today as Prosecutor Colvin outlined the state's case against Wallace Cloyes Gaines...

Colvin declared that the state will show that the girl met her death as the result of an attempt to discourage attentions that her father had been forcing upon her.

The family quarrels, Colvin said, were caused, by Gaines drinking and by jealousy that had sprung up between the girl and her step-mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Gaines.

"Sylvia and her father quarreled about his drinking," Colvin said in outlining the state's view of the case.

"He drank moonshine, beer, wine, and even straight alcohol. He threatened again and again that he would drink what he pleased, go where and when he pleased, and kill, if necessary. He said that he could, and would choke her if she did not leave him alone."

"In desperation she decided to leave Seattle and go back to her mother in the east. She was per-

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FUND INQUIRY ADJOURNS

INVESTIGATORS OF ILLINOIS PRIMARY END SESSION

CHICAGO, Aug. 5.—(By Associated Press.)—Winding up its inquiry into Illinois recent million dollar primary, the senate campaign funds committee today heard some frank statements and serious charges and had still another witness challenge its authority.

In announcing adjournment of the committee subject to his call Senator Reed, Democrat, Missouri, the chairman, said it probably would be some time before the investigators assembled again, but added that they were ready to go into any serious charges of primary irregularities.

Frank L. Smith, chairman of the Illinois Commerce Commission, Daniel J. Shuyler, counsel for Sauer Insull, Chicago Utilities magnate, who contributed heavily to Smith's successful campaign for the senate; George F. Safford, superintendent of the state anti-saloon league, and Morris Eller, republican boss of Chicago's twentieth ward, were the principal witnesses at the final sessions.

TOT COMES ACROSS SEA

LITTLE GERMAN LASS, 7, ARRIVES HERE ALL ALONE

PORTLAND, Aug. 5.—(By AP.)—Elizabeth Nordt, 7, was a happy girl tonight upon her arrival at the union station, for she had traveled all the way from Frankfurt, Germany, to join her foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nordt of this city.

The little girl made the entire voyage across the Atlantic alone on the good ship Columbus. She was so excited tonight that she could hardly speak a word of German or listen to a word of Dutch, which she understands, let alone answer questions in English, of which she knows practically nothing.

AUTHORIZE RIVER FUND

APPROPRIATION IS MADE FOR WORK ON YAMHILL RIVER

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—(By Associated Press.)—The war department has allotted from unexpended balances \$2,500 for lock and dam operation on the Yamhill river in Oregon.

Iowan Calls Salem Girls Prettiest, Faces Treason

Fair, Corn Fed Maidens Cry "Bring on Your Oregonians," Snatch Powder Puffs, Pose, White Mothers-in-law Are Pleased

Fair, corn fed maidens of Iowa have risen in anger against their Salem, Oregon, sisters though the latter perhaps are unaware of the fact.

An outburst of aesthetic treason started the trouble, when a slur on Hawkeye pulchritude came from a returned traveler, who announced that the most beautiful girls in the country, in North America, or in the whole world, take your choice, worked and had their being in the state house at Salem, Oregon.

"I have been in 39 of the 48 state capitol buildings," said this Iowan, who, for safety's sake, and to foil a mob that was gathering, hid behind anonymity, "and by far the most beautiful are at Salem. Iowa has nothing to compare with them."

Then he ducked, says a clipping from a Des Moines newspaper, sent to Carl Gammelierson yesterday. It continues:

"The reasonable utterance fell like an overloaded powder puff against a dinner jacket. Strong men turned pale, strong women turned on their heels."

"The only person who kept his head when all about him were trying to find out the excursion routes to Oregon was Burgess W. Garrett, clerk of the state supreme court, just back from a trip to Oregon.

"That's a baseless canard," said Mr. Garrett, "and this anonymous person, probably trying to please an Oregon mother-in-law, has selected a state so far away that the rank and file Iowan cannot go to see for himself."

"But I am able to say it is not

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HURT, LATER IS KILLED

GRANTED \$3,000 DAMAGES, DAUGHTER MAKES PLEA

Mrs. Lelia C. Hannah of Portland, who a few months ago obtained a judgment of \$5,000 against the Royce Taxicab company as the result of injuries suffered when she was run down by a taxicab operated by the defendant corporation, was killed in an automobile accident near Astoria Sunday.

Mrs. Hannah obtained the judgment in the Multnomah county circuit court, but the decision later was appealed to the supreme court by the taxicab company's attorneys. It was argued in the supreme court two weeks ago.

ROME, Aug. 5.—Andrew Mellon, American secretary of the treasury, was received by Premier Mussolini in the latter's private apartment at the Chigi palace today.

DEATH ESCAPE NARROW

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PRESIDENT IS FARMER AGAIN

Nation's Executive Repairs Fence, Mends Wood-Shed and Hoes Gardens

THRONGS WITNESS LABOR

Large Numbers of Residents and Tourists Flock to Glimpse President and Mrs. Coolidge

PLYMOUTH, Vt., Aug. 5.—(By Associated Press.)—Cares of the farmer occupied President Coolidge today. Here for a visit of a few days at the Coolidge homestead and farm of 27 acres, for the first time in many months, he turned his attention to the condition of the place and all through the day worked at odd jobs.

In a business suit of dark gray and wearing a straw hat, Mr. Coolidge frequently took a saw, an axe, a sledge hammer, or a cross-bar and repaired places that close inspection showed needed attention.

The fence caught his eye at one time and with the aid of a cross-bar and sledge hammer he pulled out a decayed post and set another in its place. Again he entered the wood shed with an axe and cut wood for mending a weak spot about the house.

At yet another time he went

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BAND CONCERT TONIGHT

CLAUDE STEVENSON TO BE SOLOIST FOR EVENING

The program for the band concert tonight at Willson park has been announced by Oscar Steelhammer, director of the Cherrian band. It is as follows:

"The American Red Cross" march—Panella. Overture—"Orpheur"—Offenbach.

(a) Humoreske, Dvorak-Lamp. (b) The Glad Girl, Lampe. Popular numbers—Peaceful Valley, Always, As Long As I Love You.

Overture—"Poet and Peasant" (request), Suppe. Vocal solo, selected—Claude Stevenson.

Intermezzo—"Eleanor," Deppen. Medley Overture, Morse. "Montezuma," march, Chambers. Star Spangled Banner.

LEGION TO PROTEST PLAN OF CONVENTION IN PARIS

PRESENT FRENCH ANTAGONISM CITED AS REASON

Oregon American Legion and Auxiliaries Open Coos Bay Convention

MARSHFIELD, Or., Aug. 5.—(By Associated Press.)—With 1287 men and women of the American Legion and auxiliary registered up to 6 o'clock tonight, the greatest convention of these organizations held in Oregon is under way at Coos Bay. Cities of North Bend and Marshfield are hosts to delegations from all the principal communities in the state.

A protest may be launched against plans of the national organization of the legion for a convention in Paris in 1927. With sentiment running high against sending 30,000 Americans to a country which daily is demonstrating antagonism to the Yankee the Oregon session is expected to adopt a resolution to be reported out tomorrow calling on the convention at Philadelphia to abandon plans for a Paris meeting next year.

The recommendation is expected to have the unanimous support of the resolutions committee composed of Charles Werskin, Bend; James R. Bain, Portland; E. E. Wilson, Medford; H. G. Mason, Salem, and Don McLeod, Hood River.

Astoria and La Grande are the posts seeking to be host to the legion and auxiliary next year.

Interest is high in the drum corps meet and uniformed bodies from their posts are here to participate—Salem, Eugene, Portland, Bend, Medford, Hood River, Roseburg, La Grande, Cottage Grove and McMinnville. Colorful parades through the flag-decked streets, and impromptu night serenades are convention features.

The Sheridan post band is on hand for many of the events and entertained the convention today.

Four torpedo boat destroyers with 500 men entered Coos Bay tonight.

Governor Pierce, Sam A. Kozer, secretary of state, and I. L. Patterson, republican candidate for governor at the November election, left Salem last night for Marshfield where they will attend the annual convention, state department, American Legion, Governor Pierce and Secretary of State Kozer are scheduled to give addresses at the convention.

MRS. TOM LIVESLEY HURT

INJURED WHEN CAR TAKES DITCH, BRAKES BLAMED

Mrs. Thomas A. Livesley, prominent Salem society matron and wife of Mayor-elect Livesley, suffered minor injuries of the head when an automobile in which she was riding overturned in a ditch while she was returning here from Newport early yesterday.

It was said that the accident was due to defective brakes.

WINDS ADD TO FURY OF FIRES

Flat Head Forest in Montana, Covering 25,000 Acres, Mass of Fire

FLAMES OUT OF CONTROL

Timber Fires Leap Forward on Wide Front in Spite of Concentrated Efforts to Combat Them

MISSOULA, Mont., Aug. 5.—(By Associated Press.)—High winds whipping through the blazing forests of Montana and Idaho have fanned the flames to renewed fury, reports to forestry headquarters here today stated. From the Flat Head, Blackfeet and Pend O'Reill forests came word of fires driven beyond control and sweeping forward into large stands of timber.

On the Flat Head, 25,000 acres are now a mass of flames, with the fires rushing ahead on a wide front in spite of the efforts of a large number of fighters.

Two fires on the Kootenai were bating through crown timber, while another blaze was threatening to cross into the Kootenai from the Pend O'Reill.

Some line was held on the Coeur d'Alene although many of the fires were raging out of control. Reports from the Kankus reserve also indicated that difficulty was being encountered in holding the flames in that region.

Several new fires broke out last night in private timber, the most serious being a short distance east of Missoula.

PORTLAND, Aug. 5.—(By Associated Press.)—Because of the extreme dryness 23,000 acres in the Mt. Hood national forest were ordered closed today. The area extends from the Clackamas river to the Hillock burn road and covering the watershed of the south fork of the Clackamas river and its tributaries.

The area is closed entirely except to those carrying special permits. The section was ordered closed under the trespass act, and violators will be prosecuted, according to word from the local forestry office.

John D. Guthrie, assistant district forester, left for Eugene, and will make a trip of inspection through the Cascade national forest.

DOG HIT, CAR DAMAGED

SWERVING AUTO STRIKES ANOTHER STANDING NEAR

Generally when a dog and a motor car collide, the dog gets all the damage, but the result was somewhat different yesterday, according to a report made at police headquarters by Peter Janzen of Salem. According to Janzen, he was driving north on the River Road when he struck a dog that threw his car against another one parked beside the road, whose driver was J. A. Moore of Salem. He did not mention the extent of damage to either car or the dog.

MEN REPLACING WOMEN

POSITIONS AS STENOGRAPHERS OPEN ON RAILROADS

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 5.—(By Associated Press.)—Gradual replacement of women employees by men as vacancies occur except in the case of stenographers, and comptometer operators has been ordered by W. M. Jeffers, general manager of the Union Pacific railroad, it became known here today.

The order is effective over the system from Omaha to Ogden, Utah.

TO TRY CHANNEL SWIM

MISS EDERLE IS TO MAKE SECOND ATTEMPT TODAY

CAPE GRIS NEZ, France, Aug. 5.—(By Associated Press.)—Miss Gertrude Ederle of New York will start shortly before 7 o'clock tomorrow morning on her attempt to swim the English channel. She will take the water at Gris Nez beach.

Miss Ederle, who failed last summer in her attempt to swim across the treacherous waterway, from Cape Gris Nez to the English coast, when about six and one-half miles from Dover, has been in training here since mid-June.

MEXICO ADOPTING SOVIET VIEWS, KNIGHTS DECLARE

CATHOLIC ORGANIZATION DISCUSSES CALLES' ORDER

"Russianization of Mexico" Declared to Be Overturning Real Ideals

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 5.—(By Associated Press.)—Asserting that Mexican officials had "insulted, degraded and expelled American citizens, men and women, under circumstances that are abhorrent to our conceptions of constitutional government," the supreme council, Knights of Columbus, today called on President Coolidge and the state department to put an end to this ignominious contempt that has been shown by President Calles for "American appeal."

Demand was made for protection of American citizens and for their treatment with the same consideration and respect that is shown to Mexicans in this country.

The American Federation of Labor and affiliated organizations were urged to co-operate to safeguard "not only American rights, but the hard-won victories of labor itself, to protect it from servile submission to despotic authority."

The convention authorized the supreme board of directors to assess the membership of the organization \$1,000,000 for a campaign of education to the end that the policies of Soviet Russia shall be eliminated from the philosophy of America and the ideals of liberty, conscious and democratic freedom, may extend to our fellow human beings beyond the Rio Grande.

The religious situation in Mexico as it affects the Catholic church was considered one of the most important questions before the convention and had been under consideration since it convened last Monday.

A special committee appointed to consider the matter, reported today and its report was unanimously adopted.

After protesting against the policy of President Calles on his recent despotic use of the armed forces of his military regime in opposing the vast majority of the people of Mexico, who are struggling to worship God according to the dictates of their conscience, the statement said:

"We warn our fellow American citizens that they cannot endure at their very doorstep with impunity, the Russianizing of Mexico. The Soviet philosophy controls the military powers of Mexico. The family to them is a

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WRITER SEEKS DIVORCE

RICHARD WASHBURN CHILD FILES IN PENNSYLVANIA

STROUDSBURG, Penn., Aug. 5.—(By Associated Press.)—Richard Washburn Child, former United States ambassador to Italy and a well known writer, is suing his wife, Maude Parker Child, for divorce. Reports have been current that a legal separation was being sought but confirmation was not had until today when the records of the Monroe county common pleas court revealed the fact.

The suit was filed June 26, when Judge Samuel E. Shull granted a subpoena on Mrs. Child, returnable on the fourth Monday in September. The grounds for the divorce were not made public as the papers were impounded by C. C. Bensinger, counsel for Mr. Child.

Mrs. Child was formerly Maude Parker. She was married to Mr. Child in August, 1916. She is also known as a writer.

KILLED IN AUTO CRASH

SEATTLE MAN DIES WHEN AUTO AND STREET CAR HIT

OAKLAND, Cal., Aug. 5.—(By Associated Press.)—Monroe Russell, 60, was killed and his son-in-law, 42, was seriously injured today when their automobile collided with a street car. Both lived at 3627 Finley avenue, Seattle.

Mrs. Laura Cox, wife of Fred Cox, was following in another machine, and witnessed the accident. The party was returning to Seattle from a trip to San Diego.

ROBINSON WILL RECOVER

IS INJURED WHEN CLOTHES CATCH IN TRACTOR

John B. Robinson was in a hospital here yesterday receiving medical treatment for injuries suffered when his clothing caught in the machinery of a tractor which he was operating near Rickreall, eight miles west of Salem. Mr. Robinson is the Salem agent for a Portland newspaper. Physicians said he would recover.

GRAND JURY IS GIVEN FLAYING

Jurist Deplores Manner in Which Aimee McPherson Case Was Handled

MANY LEAKS APPARENT

Inference That Grand Jury Is Playing Politics Is Cited; Keyes Hesitates to Go Further

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 5.—(By Associated Press.)—Superior Judge Arthur Keetch, presiding in the criminal department here, today sharply rebuked the county grand jury for the manner in which it had handled the investigation of the disappearance here last May of Aimee Sempie McPherson, evangelist. He cited as parent leaks from the jury room and certain commendations said to have been made by a member to the jury to another county official.

"To the public," Judge Keetch told the jurors, "it may be open to inference that the grand jury is playing politics. That such an inference is possible, is terrible."

Judge Keetch, after reviewing the duties of grand jury and quoting sections of the laws governing their conduct, declared that ever since the organization of the present jury it was apparent to him that the law regarding secrecy in its sessions had been violated frequently. He said he had called this to the attention of the foreman several times, particularly since the inquiry into the McPherson case started.

He mentioned a letter which it was reported recently the grand jury contemplated giving district attorney Asa Keyes commending him on his conduct of the McPherson case. Judge Keetch declared words of commendation for public officials should be confined to the grand jury's final reports.

"Another instance of the grand jury's seeming inability to comprehend its functions has been

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LION AD BRINGS RESULT

CALIFORNIA MAN BUYS SEVERAL GALLONS HERE

The Salem advertising done by the Lions club and its loganberry juice at the recent Lions international convention in San Francisco has already borne fruit. J. C. Pearson, a Pomona, Cal., Lion, with his wife, stopped in Salem yesterday and called at the chamber of commerce office to find out where they could buy some loganberry juice, saying that they had some served at the convention and were anxious to get more.

They were directed to a local establishment which sells the beverage and there bought several gallons, which they will take back to Pomona for winter use.

THREE FACE WET CHARGE

JUG HELD AS EVIDENCE, \$250 BOND IS POSTED

A raid on a slaughterhouse just outside the southern city limits of Salem netted state officers three men arrested on a possession charge yesterday afternoon. The men are E. Speight, Arnold Selin and Joe Ackerman. They were released on posting \$250 bail each.

A jug containing one gallon was found, but the officers say they saw the men pour out more liquor just as they went through the gate. The men had been suspected of bootlegging operations for some time, according to the police. The slaughterhouse where they were arrested was owned by Speight.

FAKE COIN CASE HEARD

GILBERT ENTERS PLEA OF NOT GUILTY TO CHARGE

PORTLAND, Aug. 5.—(By Associated Press.)—Joe Gilstrap, who was arrested in Lane county charged with the manufacture and passing of five counterfeit coins marked "One dollar," pleaded not guilty when arraigned in federal court here today. The government, through the assistant United States attorney, charged that Gilstrap made the coins and gave them to a youth in payment for some pigeons.



LULLABY LIVERPOOL, Eng., Prof. John Thompson of Liverpool University worked out a system which is expected to supersede the usual refrigeration process of preserving fruit. He puts the fruit to sleep. Take it or leave it, he put the fruit to sleep. The idea is this: He gets the fruit into a quiet room...

and then regulates the temperature so that it doesn't vary one way or another, from an ordinary comfortable degree. The result is that the fruit is lulled into a dormant state, breathing over an eyelid. The funny part of it is that it works. Apples so treated emerge from four months sleep healthy, happy and in perfect condition.

IN AGAIN LONDON, Miss Margaret Bondfield, former chairman of the Trades Union Congress and once before a member of Parliament, has been returned to Parliament on a Labour ticket in a general election...

DO YOU ZITH? NEW YORK—Thousands of music lovers the country over have been thrown into the wildest excitement by the announcement of a national zither contest to be held in their cities next fall. Do you zith? If so, notify Henry Wormsacher of the United Zither Players of America. What is a zither? It's a gentle holderover from the harp of what notes and musically cups and engraved toothpicks. It is said to be musical, suitably so, and in construction is a hybrid, a sort of cross between a harp with lap-dog instincts and a barber-shop chord. Figure it out if you can. Any way, zithers will be played in solo, duet, trio, quartet, squads, platoons and symphonies. A simply grand time is expected by all.

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