

LEGAL TILT LOST BY GEORGE REMUS

Expert Testimony Goes Into
Records Against De-
fendant Interests

CINCINNATI, Dec. 19.—(AP).—Heading his own defense with a plea of insanity, George Remus fought futilely last week to prevent expert testimony that the three major outbursts to which he had given way in the courtroom since his murder trial started five weeks ago were nothing more than fits of anger and good acting.

Dr. David I. Wolfstein, first of the three alienists whose report that they had determined Remus was sane October 6 last, when he shot and killed his wife, Imogene, was read to the jury today, was in the witness chair.

Previously he had revealed to the jury three separate confessions by Remus of intent to slay the woman from whom he was estranged and had recounted the details of a long and intimate study of Remus which revealed him to be a man who "behaved like a normal man."

The Remus reactions were perfectly normal, testified the psychiatrist, Remus expressed indignation at the proper moments, showed emotion, and expressed sarcasm, uttered jeers and displayed facial expressions always "appropriate—commensurate" with the subject in hand.

"In these three episodes in the courtroom," testified Dr. Wolfstein, a noted authority on mental diseases, "Mr. Remus' face was red, his head was red, his movements accelerated and his remarks indicated anger."

"That was, in my judgment, just an indication of normal anger."

**GANG LEADER GIVEN
ROUSING RECEPTION**

'Scarface' Capone Met At
Station By Committee
Equipped With Guns

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—(AP).—"Scarface" Al Capone, Chicago gang leader, returned to Chicago after a visit in Los Angeles, stopped off in Joliet, where the state penitentiary is located, for a sojourn last Friday.

A reception committee composed of all the policemen in Joliet met Capone at the railroad station, leaving the police station in charge of a newspaper reporter in order to augment the size of the welcoming delegation.

After exchanging pleasantries with his hosts, who relieved Mr. Capone and half a dozen of his friends, who had motored from Chicago, of their luggage, including six large revolvers, the visitors were escorted to police headquarters and then to the city jail, where Capone, who left Chicago by invitation and Los Angeles the same day.

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way, appeared much surprised at the attitude of Joliet officials and explained that as he paid taxes in Chicago and considered it his home, he felt duty bound to continue his journey there to play Santa Claus to numerous friends.

After several hours in jail Capone and his companions were released under bonds. Capone's bond was set at \$2400.

The men left Joliet in an automobile, probably for their old haunts in Cicero, a Chicago suburb.

**SENATE TO DELAY
OVER TAX MEASURE**

Probability Seen That Upper
House Will Not Get Busy
This Month

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(AP).—The tax bill, passed by the house ten days after the start of the present session, reached the senate Saturday with indications it would not even be considered by the senate finance committee until after Christmas.

Out of line with the recommendations of the treasury, and calling for a \$290,000,000 decrease in revenue payments—more than the treasury, in President Coolidge's opinion can stand—it will be the subject of brief hearings, then the senate will take it up, with predictions general that concerted efforts will be made to revise its provisions.

As approved by the house, the measure would result in an annual tax reduction of \$57,000,000 more than the amount recommended by its ways and means committee—at least that is the estimate. The house total was \$65,000,000 above the "safe maximum," set by Secretary Mellon and approved by the president, but more than \$100,000,000 below the figure recommended by the chamber of commerce of the United States.

Chairman Smoot of the senate finance committee has expressed the belief that the senate may scale the bill down to somewhere near the treasury total. On the other hand, Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, the senior democrat on the committee, sees no reason why the reduction should not be boosted to \$400,000,000, and is laying plans to that end.

**New Ford Drawing Card
When Shown At Stayton**

STAYTON, Dec. 19.—(Special).—The new Ford sedan, which was on exhibition at the showroom in the Hunt & Tate garage Saturday afternoon and evening, proved an exceptional drawing card both to local people and many from out of town.

Most of the afternoon it was difficult to get anywhere near enough to get a good view of the car. It was said that several orders were booked by the garage men, who do not promise delivery until early in the summer months.

CAREY C. NOTT ILL
STAYTON, Dec. 19.—(Special).—Guests at the Carey C. Nott home, relatives who are assisting in the care of Mr. Nott who is very low and present, are Allen Nott of eastern Oregon, Lane Clifford of Vancouver, Wash., Miss Cora Turnbill, teacher in the Monmouth schools, Mr. and Mrs. Gale Monroe of Elgin and Mr. and Mrs. John Kasey of Shaw. Allen Nott and Mrs. Kinsey are brother and sister of the invalid.

CO-ED CONVICTED ROBBERY CHARGE

Insanity Plea Fails To Con-
vince Jury In Trial of
Young Wife

LA GRANDE, Texas, Dec. 19.—(AP).—Rejecting an insanity plea, a jury of men in district court here has convicted Mrs. Rebecca Bradley Rogers, 22-year-old former University of Texas co-ed, on a charge of robbing the Farmers' National bank of Buddha, Texas, and fixed the penalty at 14 years in prison.

The defendant received the verdict calmly, but to her husband, Otis Rogers, young attorney, whose dramatic appeal for either liberty or the electric chair for his wife moved spectators in the courtroom to tears yesterday, it proved a shock. He had confidently expected a hung jury at the worst.

Agreement was reached by the jurors 12 hours after they had been sent to bed last night urged by District Attorney Fred Blundell to return a verdict "that will set a precedent in the southwest and warn women and girls."

Rogers had pleaded death for his young wife rather than a term in the penitentiary.

The death penalty would have been possible as Mrs. Rogers was charged with having used a revolver when she held up two officials of the Buddha bank last December and obtained \$1,000. Robbery with firearms is a capital offense in Texas, with a minimum penalty of five years in prison.

**COOLIDGE OPPOSES
MORE TAX SLICING**

President Issues Warning To
Congress To Go Easy
On Reduction

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—(AP).—A warning to congress to apply the brakes to any moves seeking a reduction of taxes in excess of the treasury recommendation has been issued at the White House.

It was disclosed that President Coolidge believes the bill as passed last night by the house calling for a reduction yearly of \$290,000,000 is unwarranted by the condition of the treasury.

In his opinion, the maximum

reduction should be \$225,000,000, applied as suggested by Secretary Mellon. He is waiting with interest to see the fate of the tax bill in the senate and fully expects that by the time it reaches his desk, for approval, the measure will have been brought within what he considers reasonable limits.

Mr. Coolidge's desire to hold tax reduction to \$225,000,000 already has rounded up a champion in the senate in Chairman Smoot of the finance committee, who announced today that he will make every effort to cut down the figure approved by the house.

Senator Simmons, of North Carolina, ranking democrat on the committee, declared simultaneously, however, without committing himself to any definite program, that he believes a reduction of \$400,000,000 feasible.

Although there was no suggestion at the White House that the president had made up his mind to veto the bill, if the reduction is in excess of the treasury figure or too much out of line with Mr. Mellon's recommendations, it was apparent that some leaders in congress are fearful of such action.

Representative Tamm, the republican house leader, who was a White House caller today, was among those who declared they

would not be surprised if Mr. Coolidge sent back a bill calling for a reduction of taxes materially above \$225,000,000.

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