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THOMPSON AGAIN ARRESTED

JAZZ MAID FAINTS WHEN HELD INSANE

Jury Votes 11 to 1 For Insanity — Matricide To Be Sent To Asylum; Escapes Murder Trial.

San Francisco, Cal., April 9.—Dorothy Ellingson, 17-year-old slayer of her mother, was found insane by a jury in superior court here today.

The verdict means that the girl will be committed to an asylum. The murder case, for which another jury had been impaneled and in readiness pending determination of the girl's sanity, now will be held in abeyance indefinitely. Should she ever be released from the asylum, the murder charge may be tried.

The vote of the jury was 11 to 1 for insanity.

The jury retired at 10:25 a. m. and reported it had reached a verdict.

As the verdict was read the girl fainted.

She shot her mother in the bed room of their home last January 13, after the mother had objected to jazz parties and a life of indolence. The girl was bitterly opposed to the efforts of her attorneys to have her adjudged insane and had sided with the prosecution in its opposition to the move.

The girl was unconscious when the jury had been polled and the court room cleared. She made no outcry. Her head fell back and

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SOLVES MYSTERY OF IDENTITY OF MASTER BANDIT

New York, April 9.—The mystery of Gerald Chapman is a thing of the past. The stickup man extraordinary, who is under sentence to be hanged June 25, and who has persistently refused to make known his identity, has been declared by Connecticut authorities to be George Chatter, a son of Irish parents and a brother of a man who now holds a responsible educational position here.

Since Chatter, alias Chapman, was found guilty of the murder of Policeman Shelly of the New Britain, Conn., officials of that state have been investigating his past life.

"Chatter" records show he was an undisciplined boy, mentally alert but always prone to get into trouble. His parents died when he was very young and his aunt brought him up, bringing up also his brother and sister. George was given a grammar school and high school education. He was fond of reading but seemed class room work and study, passing examination easily.

His first arrest came in 1907. He was then 20 years old. He was arrested charged with violation of parole and identified by detectives at the Temple as "Curley" of the "Park avenue mob," charged with burglary and on September 22, 1908, he was sentenced to three and one half years in Sing Sing.

It was then, according to the story that his relatives disclosed him. From this point on, Chapman's career is well known. From this point on, however, he refused to give his correct name or anything about his family.

George Chatter has no home, moreover his relatives refuse to concede his very existence.

ARMENIANS FIRST TO ACCEPT CHRISTIANITY

Damascus, April 8.—(By Associated Press.)—Archaeological discoveries which, it is said, may prove that the Armenians were the first people, officially to accept Christianity, are reported from Erivan, Russian Armenia, by the head of the American Near East relief mission.

PURDY SUES FOR \$10,000 FOR SLANDER

Politician-Realtor Asks Damages From Winslow and Endicott and \$1600 a Year Salary.

Will E. Purdy, politician, evangelist, attorney, former candidate for governor, real estate man, former proprietor of a bathhouse and one time chamber of commerce secretary at Newberg, has filed an action for \$10,000 damages and \$1600 a year against Walter C. Winslow and S. M. Endicott, local attorneys and Chris and Mary Lachele. He charges he has been damaged by allegations made by Winslow that he was a forger, and that a result, he has been injured in mind and body, and deprived of a salary of \$1600 a year which he otherwise would receive. He does not state in his complaint how many years at \$1600 a year he has been damaged.

Purdy asserts that in the case of the Oregon Realty Exchange Investment company against Chris and Mary Lachele, in which Winslow and Endicott were attorneys for the Lacheles, that Winslow accused Purdy of having wrongfully and maliciously committed a forgery by having written the words "no interest in June 10th" on an agreement after it had been signed by Chris Lachele, claiming credit for \$87.50 in interest.

He further asserts that Winslow confided to officers of the United States National bank that "there was no doubt the said Will E. Purdy had committed a forgery" and that he made it his business to tell persons that the plaintiff was a forger.

Purdy in his complaint, as indicative of the extent of the damage in his character, has the following to say about himself:

"Mr. Purdy was elected by one of the largest votes to the national convention of the democratic party in 1920 from the state at large. Mr. Purdy has been candidate for the nomination of governor of Oregon. He has reared a family of 19 children in Oregon and he has preached the gospel as hundreds of souls have professed conversion and he was highly recommended by both democrats and republicans to President Harding for appointment to the United States shipping board."

Purdy asserts he was to have received \$400 a month, including \$300 a month from the Oregon Realty Exchange Investment company, and that the statements alleged "did cause the plaintiff to lose substantial salary and suffer in mind and body."

NEW YORK AND JERSEY SUFFER FOREST FIRES

New York, April 9.—New England, New York and New Jersey continue to suffer from forest and brush fires due to a rainless April. In a dozen sections of New York and New Jersey yesterday firemen and volunteers were busy with blazes that caused damage of \$250,000, it is estimated.

Road Placards to Designate Route of Blossom Day Drive

A. B. Southwick, who lives over in Polk county on the Oak Grove road is quite enthusiastic about Blossom day, especially as he believes the view point from the hills in his district is really one of the best to be found within a short distance of Salem.

To help Mr. Southwick his open gates going through will open gates going through the Blossom day visitors next Sunday who are out on the Oak Grove road may pass through and swing around to Glen creek and then return east to the Wallace road.

C. S. Hamilton, O. L. Fisher and K. B. Kugel, cherian committee on placing placards "Blossom Day," and an arrow showing direction of travel.

These road placards will show the line of travel on the Wallace road at the west end of the Marion-Polk county bridge, and the various turning points to prevent visitors from going astray.

The same placards will be placed on the Pacific highway south of Salem so that visitors will drive directly south through Liberty and Rosedale, turning east at the road leading past the Friends church.

Efforts will also be made to direct visitors to the grounds of the Oregon state hospital, and the tulip beds on the Fairgrounds road, the W. C. Franklin tulip farm on the Wallace road half a mile north of the bridge and also the tulip farm about four miles north on the Pacific highway.

3 School Houses, 1 Church Robbed; Yield Little Loot

In an onslaught of burglars in Salem last night a church and three school houses were entered by pass keys and "jimmies." The burglars, however, netted the intruders little in the way of loot, the net result, an investigation showed today, being \$2 in money from the office of Principal Davidson at the Lincoln school; five dollars in another drawer at the same place were overlooked.

The places entered were the Leslie Methodist church on south Commercial street, and the Lincoln. Garfield and McKinley schools. At the church, entrance was gained by a pass key through a rear door and then the minister's study was entered through a window by means of a "jimmy." Nothing was taken from the study, but the place was ransacked, all drawers and receptacles being opened and their contents scattered all about, so the study was considerable of a chaos when the minister entered it today.

Entrance in similar manner was gained at the three school houses and a great scattering of papers and other articles made.

At the Garfield and McKinley schools the marauder or marauders apparently were after money, but failed to find any and took nothing, as far as was learned.

The school building jobs were almost identical in execution. At the McKinley school entrance was effected through a south window.

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WORK CONFERS WITH BOARD ON RECLAMATION

Klamath Falls, April 9.—Hubert Work, secretary of the interior and the directors of the Klamath irrigation district faced each other at a public meeting held in Klamath Falls this morning called for the purpose of hearing general complaints by all who are discontented with the manner in which the government project in Klamath is being conducted.

The cabinet officers listened quietly to the complaints made by directors of the district against the reclamation service. He paid close attention to all the proceedings of the meeting but declined to take part in the verbal pyrotechnics that featured the gathering.

This afternoon the secretary and Elwood Mead, reclamation commissioner, will be taken through the Merrill, Mahu and Tule lake reclamation districts on a general inspection trip.

ASKS \$10,000 FOR ASSAULT

Medford, Or., April 9.—A suit for \$10,000 damages was filed in the circuit court Wednesday by Dr. E. H. French, county humane officer, against Delroy Getchell, banker. The action is the result of a fist encounter March 25 last, between the two men in the hall of the Medford National bank building. George A. Mansfield, democratic warhorse and candidate for the United States senate at the last primary election, is attorney for French.

The complaint alleges "that the defendant did unlawfully make an assault upon the person of the plaintiff, and did unlawfully strike, beat, bruise and grievously wound the plaintiff, causing bodily injury and mental suffering," to the extent of \$10,000.

YEOMEN TO MEET IN ASHLAND NEXT

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Appointive officers were named by President Reeve as follows: Lady Rowena, Mary Mayville, La Grande; Lady Rebecca, Marie Tamm, Newberg; overseer, E. E. Tripp, Corvallis; watchman, E. G. Harte, McMinnville; sentinel, C. H. Lovitt, Silverton; guard, R. J. Cumberland, Toledo.

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Wins Bride in Day

Metuchen, N. J., Apr. 9.—Patrick Kress, owner of a taxi business which he waged yesterday against the restaurant business owned by William A. Elbaum in a bet that he could get married in 36 hours although he had no feminine friends, left here today for Elkton, Md., accompanied by his prospective bride, Miss Agatha Hester Holle.

KRUTTSCHNITT TO RETIRE FROM BOARD OF ESPEE

New York, April 9.—Julius Kruttschnitt, chairman of the board of directors and of the executive committee of the Southern Pacific company announced today that he would retire on May 31 under the pension rule of the company.

Mr. Kruttschnitt is in his seventieth year and has been in the service of the Southern Pacific line continuously for forty-eight years. His retirement will mark the passing from active railroad life of one of the most notable figures in the country's transportation history.

He will be succeeded as chairman of the executive committee by Henry W. DeForest, who will be assisted by Vice-Chairman A. D. McDonald, now vice-president and controller of the Southern Pacific.

The authority of the president, William Sproule will be extended over all the properties of the company except the Texas and Louisiana lines which will continue as heretofore under the charge of W. R. Scott as president.

Hugh Neill, now secretary, was appointed a vice-president and G. W. Mullis, assistant controller, was made controller. J. P. Blair, general counsel, will have charge of the legal business of the company in New York, neighboring states and Kentucky, and of the Southern Pacific steamship lines.

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THIEF HELD IN CITY JAIL BREAKS OUT

Ray Hill, Held For North Bend Officers, Walks Out of City Jail And Escapes.

Ray Hill, who was held at the Salem city jail for the alleged theft of a payroll of more than \$700 from the Coos Bay Stevedoring company at North Bend, made his escape from the jail just before noon today, and without hat or shoes is in hiding somewhere in Salem or environs. Just how Hill made his escape is something of a mystery, though it is known he went out through the barred door of the jail and boldly walked across the lower floor of the city hall, where are located the offices of the police department and city recorder, and passed out into the street. William Bloch, a local meat cutter, saw Hill cross the street and enter the alley between the old Rigdon undertaking establishment and the Valley Motor company building. Bloch, however, at the time did not realize that the man was an escaping prisoner.

Jail Door Unlocked
Apparently the jail door had been left unlocked, or the padlock had failed to snap. Winkie, black, the alleged forger, was in the jail with Hill and says he was in one corner of the cell washing his shirt and Hill was standing at the jail door. Then suddenly Hill was gone. There is some question as to who last about the jail door. Early this morning Deputy Sheriff Sam Burkhardt went to the police station and asked to talk with Hill. He took Hill into the women's quarters, now unattended, and after finishing his talk with the prisoner took him back into the main jail. Burkhardt then asked Chief Minto if he wanted the door locked, according to the chief's story, and Minto said he did, whereupon Burkhardt returned to the jail door and closed the padlock.

Blame Not Placed

Whether since that time the jailor has been in the jail is a question. He frequently enters the prison to clean the place. City Recorder Paulsen does not think the jailor, E. J. Tucker, was about the jail or city hall at this forenoon, and since the escape the jailor has not been about the police station, so could not be questioned.

Officer Cutler was in charge at the police station at the time of the escape, but in some way he was evaded by the escaping prisoner. Hill either left the city hall by the police station door or the city recorder's door. Recorder Paulsen is positive it wasn't thru his door.

Claims Checks Found

Officer Louis Olson last night arrested Ray Hill, who is accused of having stolen a few days the payroll of the Coos Bay Stevedoring company of North Bend, amounting to \$748.50. Of the 42 checks that were missed by the stevedoring company 39 were found in Hill's possession. It is believed he succeeded in cashing the other three. Hill claimed to have found the checks.

Hill was arrested when he attempted to pass on a bond merchant a check for \$33.58. All of the checks were counterfeited by the president and cashier of the stevedoring company and they range in denomination from \$5 to \$27. Hill is said to have confessed to cashing two checks in Eugene. In his possession when arrested was a new pocket-knife, new alarm clock and new pair of shoes, indicating that he had cashed some of the checks.

Secretary Weeks Better

Washington, April 9.—Secretary Weeks probably will be allowed to leave his bed tomorrow for the first time since he suffered a cerebral thrombosis on April 1. Members of his family said today condition was "spendid and most encouraging."

What Are the Facts?

District Attorney John H. Carson today called the grand jury to reconvene tomorrow morning to consider the charge that Clarence W. Thompson, cashier in the state treasury office under the administrations of Jefferson Myers and O. P. Hoff, embezzled \$3,000 in addition to the \$931 defalcation for which he was indicted by the grand jury recently, and to which he pleaded guilty, was sentenced and paroled.

The whole proceedings surrounding Thompson's alleged manipulations of state funds, his indictment by the grand jury, and his sudden decision to enter a plea of guilty two days prior to the date set for entering the plea, and then at a secret and extraordinary night session of the court, have been cloaked in mystery.

All sorts of rumors, emanating from equally various and unconfirmed sources have been spread broadcast in connection with the affair.

It has been charged that Thompson's activities in drawing his salary in advance on assignments, a system which enabled him to successfully cover up his operations for so long, were common practice. That Governor Pierce and other state officials frequently drew upon the treasury for moneys in excess of their earned salaries, giving assignments as security, and that Treasurer Myers sanctioned the arrangement.

Pleading for leniency after he had admitted his guilt Thompson charged in court that another employee of the treasury office was as guilty as he.

Just what is the situation as regards conditions that have prevailed in the treasury office? Is it true that public officials have loaned, or advanced state moneys without interest, and that others have been utilizing funds not earned for private purposes?

If public trust in the handling of funds has been violated all of the guilty should be punished. If there is no foundation for the rumors and charges that are being made those accused should be vindicated.

Is this session of the grand jury going to confine its investigations to the specific question of whether or not Thompson embezzled \$3,000, or is it going to the bottom of the whole affair?

DEPUTIES VOTE CONFIDENCE IN HERRIOT'S RULE

Paris, April 9.—(By Associated Press.)—The chamber of deputies tonight voted confidence in the Herriot government, 291 to 242.

Paris, April 9.—(By Associated Press.)—Premier Herriot, suddenly assuming the offensive in the chamber of deputies today made sweeping charges of faulty administration of the treasury against every government since the armistice, blaming them for the present financial crisis.

Turning upon his accusers who had been fighting him bitterly for his political life the past few days, he took the rostrum and began a stirring speech in which he promised to reveal all the intimate secrets of the French treasury.

It was forecast in cabinet circles before the session that if the premier's reception in the chamber and in the senate, where he also planned to speak was such as to make the government's position look dubious, he might resign.

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GOVERNOR'S SON FINED \$100 FOR TRIP WITH GIRL

Zanesville, Ohio, April 9.—(By Associated Press.)—Hal Donahay, 19, son of Governor Vic Donahay, today was fined \$100 and cost by Probate Judge Clarence Graham on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of Miss Lillian Vogel, 15-year-old Zanesville girl, whom he took to Columbus last Sunday night.

He was remanded to the custody of Sheriff O. S. Bradford of Muskingum county until the fine was paid. He also was placed under the control of the Muskingum juvenile court until he reaches 21 years of age.

Miss Vogel was placed under strict probation of the court for 12 months.

Governor Donahay at Columbus said:

"I this boy has done anything wrong I want him to be punished for it; if he hasn't I want him exonerated. He is entitled to that in all fairness. My only interest in the matter is that the girl and Hal are both given a square deal."

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Babe Ruth Suffers Concussion of Brain When He Falls in Car

New York, April 9.—Babe Ruth, Yankee slugger, suffered a slight concussion of the brain this afternoon when he fell in the wash room of the car that was bringing him home to New York from Asheville, N. C., where he was taken last Tuesday.

Ruth, unconscious, was rushed to the emergency hospital in the Pennsylvania station. Dr. J. M. Murphy, Pennsylvania railroad physician, and Dr. Edward King, Babe's personal doctor, who examined him as soon as the train reached the terminal, said he had received the concussion when he fell in the wash room as the train was entering the Hudson river terminal at Manhattan transfer New Jersey.

Mrs. Ruth, dressed in her Easter best, was at the terminal to greet her husband. On learning of his condition she was nearly prostrated.

Paul Kitchell, Yankee scout who accompanied Ruth from Asheville, said the famous home run hitter had stood the trip north admirably and apparently was feeling better at the terminal where he entered the washroom to wash his hands and brush his hair preparatory to saying "hello" to the friends who were to meet him at the station. Kitchell went to get a comb when he returned Ruth was on the floor unconscious.

An ambulance that was waiting at the terminal to take Ruth to St. Vincent's hospital broke down as he was being lifted into it and it was necessary to remove him to the emergency hospital where an examination revealed the concussion.

CARSON FILES NEW LARCENY COMPLAINT

Alleged Embezzler Taken Into Custody And Put Under Guard In Hospital Last Night.

Clarence W. Thompson, former cashier in the state treasury office who pleaded guilty to larceny of \$931 of public funds and was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary and paroled by Judge Percy R. Kelly at a "star chamber" session of the circuit court Monday evening, is again under arrest and formally charged with larceny of \$3000 from the treasury.

Following refusal yesterday afternoon of the state treasury officials to sign an information charging Thompson with the alleged embezzlement, which was discovered by Alexander Hamilton, bookkeeper in the office, who has been scanning the records to determine the respective liabilities of the bonding companies on Thompson's bond, Thompson was taken into custody on an open charge of felony by District Attorney Carson and Sheriff Bower last evening to prevent any attempt to flee the state, and was lodged in a local hospital under guard.

Bail Fixed at \$6000.
This morning Carson filed the formal charge of larceny of public funds against Thompson, and swore to the warrant for his arrest.

Thompson is reported to have suffered a nervous breakdown, and a physician was sent to the hospital today to examine him. If his condition is such as to warrant it he will be removed to the county jail.

Whether Thompson will be formally arraigned, or whether his case would go directly before the grand jury, which has been called by Carson to reconvene for consideration of the case at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, had not been determined this afternoon.

The \$3000 alleged shortage is included in the \$5000 which Thompson is said by officials of the companies holding his bonds to have confessed embezzling, but is a separate item from the \$931 he pleaded guilty to taking.

When the discovery of the additional shortage was reported to him yesterday noon the district attorney immediately took steps to bring formal charges against Thompson, and as soon as a complaint could be drawn up it was sent to the treasurer's office with the request that someone in that office swear to the information.

Explaining why he declined to sign the information, State Treasurer Kay this morning stated that, inasmuch as the defalcations transpired under a previous administration, he did not feel that he was responsible for them, and did not wish to appear to be persecuting Thompson, particularly as he had discharged Thompson when taking over the office. He further stated that he could not have sworn to the information of his personal knowledge, as the inspection of the books which revealed the shortage was made by Hamilton.

Kay took the position that the charges against Thompson should be brought out by Jefferson Myers, under whose administration the \$3000 was embezzled, or by representatives of the bonding company that will be called upon to make good the shortage.

BALFOUR'S HOTEL STONED BY INDIGNANT SYRIANS

Damascus, Syria, April 9.—(By Associated Press.)—The night passed off quietly after the stoning of the Victoria hotel, where the Earl of Balfour is staying. Police remained on guard after the mob had been dispersed.

It is understood that a big demonstration has been arranged for today. All the bazaars are closed. Lord Balfour has been carefully guarded throughout the seven-hour journey from Haifa to Damascus.