

SENTIMENTAL WOMEN BACK DIGGS; SOCIETY TO BLAME, DEFENSE PLEA

LAWYER FLAYS GIRL IN CASE; SEEKS MOTIVE

Confessed Magdalen's Unmercifully Scourged—Court Blocks Attempt to Arouse Jury's Sympathy—Spectators Nod Approval.

Joy Rides, Beach Resorts, Cafes Are Stepping Stones in Marsha Warrington's Fall.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 20.—Woman's inhumanity to woman was the striking feature of the Diggs trial today during the closing hours of the arguments to the jury.

Whatever the public impression may be as to the status of Marsha Warrington, chief witness against Maury I. Diggs, many women who had heard the court confession of this twenty-year-old girl's escapades and shame smacked and shrugged their well-gowned shoulders during the summing up by the defense.

They nodded approval to Attorney Robert T. Devlin's impeachment of her testimony and his mocking intonations as to her character, casting the stones of lifted brows and widening smiles upon the self-confessed Magdalen. As far as they were concerned, it was thumbs down for Marsha Warrington and Loin Norris. They were with the man Diggs.

Attorney Robert T. Devlin, on the other hand, in summing up the defense, after bluntly attacking the former reputations of the girls, asked the jury to lay the blame for Diggs' confessed immorality at society's door.

"Don't blame this individual for the sins of the many," he argued. "Society is to blame. Young girls are allowed to go unchaperoned; they are allowed to drink, to take automobile rides, visit beach resorts. The rest was as a matter of course."

Share references were made by Devlin to "the innocent little maid." A number of the women spectators smiled during the attorney's attack upon the girl, nodding approval.

"What motive could Diggs have had in leaving the state?" Devlin demanded. "All the acts of immorality alleged practically had already been committed before he left the state. He is not being tried for that. Had he gone to Los Angeles there would have been no case."

"Do not make Mrs. Diggs the wife of a convict," was Devlin's plea. Then, for the first time, Mrs. Diggs' anguish broke out and she wept openly for a moment.

Judge Van Fleet immediately forestalled any such plea for sympathy. "This case," said the court, "must be decided irrespective of any appeal to sympathy."

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MATCHES CAUSE \$900 BLAZE AT DYE WORKS PLANT

Matches in a suit being cleaned at the Pantatorium Dye Works plant at North Grape streets, caused a fire Wednesday morning, that resulted in the destruction of \$900 worth of clothes. The matches were ignited when being run through a "tumbler" causing an explosion of gasoline. The interior of the building was gutted, and the machinery, on which insurance was carried, damaged. No insurance was carried on the clothes, but all claims will be paid, the company announces. The fire department extinguished the blaze after a quick run.

DESPOILER AT BAY WHINES NO "SQUARE DEAL"

Diggs Bitter Against District Attorney—Expects Verdict of Guilty—Lays Appearance in Court to "Shyster Politics."

Complains He is Not Guilty Under White Slave Law, and Bemoans, Too Late, Ruin of All Concerned.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 20.—"I think the whole thing has been rotten and infamous."

This was the opening sentence of Maury I. Diggs here today in an exclusive statement to the United Press on the progress of his trial on charges of violation of the Mann white slave act.

"Shyster politics," he continued, "has entered into this trial. I have not been given a square deal. My wife, my child and myself, as well as the girls involved, have had to suffer because some federal officials have been looking for a soft place to light."

"I most certainly am not guilty of white slavery. The Mann act has not only ruined me and my family, but also Miss Warrington and Miss Norris and their people. It has wrought a great injustice. I have had no chance for a fair trial."

"I couldn't say anything about the girls. I did not even tell my attorneys about all the things that happened; because if a man does tell he is a dog, and if he doesn't, he must curtail his defense."

"The whole thing is rotten. Former District Attorney McNab is a dirty cad and has made many misstatements about the evidence he gathered."

Diggs intimated that he was prepared for and expected a verdict of guilty.

CABINET MEMBER AND PARTY OFF TO CRATER LAKE

Adolph Miller, assistant secretary of the interior, and wife accompanied by County Judge F. L. Tou Velle, Superintendent Steele, George Putman, and R. J. Brevard left this morning in two automobiles for a day's stay at Crater Lake. The visit of the cabinet member is expected to aid materially in the future development of the great scenic spot. It is also expected that the claims of Arant to the park superintendency will be effectively settled for all time after the visit.

Tuesday Assistant Secretary Miller was the guest of the University club at an impromptu reception. He outlined the administration policy towards national parks, and its tendency towards systematic development of the same.

Upon arrival Tuesday the visitors were taken through the valley and were shown Hillcrest orchard as the guests of R. H. Parsons, the owner.

Later at the Country club Mrs. Lane and Mr. and Mrs. Miller were guests of honor a dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Hamill. The guests included Mrs. F. H. Hopkins, who is a cousin of Mrs. Lane, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Corning Kenley, Mr. and Mrs. S. Vilas Beckwith, Leonard Carpenter and A. S. V. Carpenter.

Roses to be used in the banquet to Secretary of the Interior Lane at Klamath Falls tomorrow night were shipped Wednesday from Medford and Central Point. Secretary Lane will join Assistant Secretary Miller at Klamath Falls after his tour of central Oregon.

JOHN W. DAVIS NAMED FOR SOLICITOR GENERAL



John W. Davis, now representative in congress from West Virginia, is to fill one of the most important positions in the government at Washington. He is to be solicitor-general of the department of justice, a place which was occupied by Marshal Bullitt till President Taft quit office.

The solicitor-general appears for the government before the supreme court of the United States, and he must therefore be a lawyer of great ability and character. In that court he meets the ablest lawyers of the country as his adversaries. The salary is only \$10,000 a year, which is less than the fees many lawyers will draw for single cases in which they will appear against him.

Mr. Davis is now serving his second term in the house of representatives. He will resign August 10 to take his new place.

TO FIX BLAME FOR ALASKAN MARINE TRAGEDY

SEATTLE, Wash., Aug. 20.—When the surviving officers and members of the crew of the State of California, wrecked in Gambier Bay, Sunday, arrive in Seattle on the steamer Jefferson late this afternoon they will be taken in charge by United States marine inspectors who will attempt to fix the responsibility for the disaster.

The order for the investigation comes direct from Acting Secretary of Commerce Sweet, at Washington, who has sent telegraphic instructions to marine inspectors here and at Juneau, the bureau of navigation and the coast and geodetic survey.

The men of the State of California were questioned before leaving Juneau and will be further grilled here.

GOVERNOR LEADS 300,000 IN GOOD ROAD WORK

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Aug. 20.—With Governor Major of Missouri leading, 300,000 men and thousands of teams today are shoveling and hauling dirt on Missouri highways, in accord with the governor's proclamation for two good roads days. The entire city has suspended business and is helping to improve the state's highways. Governor Major is running a steam roller in Calloway county.

WORLD PEACE MEET BEGINS AT THE HAGUE

THE HAGUE, Aug. 20.—More than 800 delegates assembled in the Ridderzaal here today for the opening of the twentieth universal peace conference. The congress will continue several days and is held under the patronage of Prince Henry of the Netherlands.

Two days of committee meetings will precede the regular sessions. About fifty American delegates are present. Andrew Carnegie also is expected to attend the conference.

HUERTA'S NOTE GIVES HOPES TO WILSON'S PLAN

President Receives 7000-Word Reply to Special Envoy Lind's Representation—Asks Time to Consider Reconstruction Proposals.

Foreign Committee of Senate to Hold Conference—Embargo on Arms to Be Enforced.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—Strong indication that John Lind, President Wilson's special emissary to Mexico, will succeed on his mission of peace is seen here today in the receipt of a 7000-word installment of Provisional President Huerta's reply to Lind's representations. It will take all day to decipher the dispatch, but it is known that time is asked to consider President's Wilson's proposals.

Certain government officials profess to believe that Huerta is merely sparring for time. He says he is greatly interested and is anxious for additional information. The wording of the reply is said to indicate that Huerta is seeking better terms, but at the same time is also keeping negotiations in progress until he decides whether to resign from the presidency.

Owing to Huerta's latest communication, President Wilson arranged today a conference with Chairman Bacon of the senate foreign relations committee. Under the circumstances he wishes to emphasize his decision that there will be no removal of the embargo against the shipment of arms into Mexico. The president believes that this would inflame anti-Americanism there and might provoke the adherents of Huerta to reprisals.

So long as Huerta continues to consider mediation and treats John Lind cordially the administration will afford the Mexican dictator every opportunity to join in a peaceful settlement.

Huerta's latest note has already been sufficiently translated to make certain that it opens a door for further friendly negotiation. It recites the federal military successes and claims that conditions in Mexico today are more peaceful than they have been since the original anti-Diaz revolt.

EUREKA ROAD RALLY OPENS; WEST TO TALK

EUREKA, Cal., Aug. 20.—With Governor Johnson of California opening the proceedings more than 300 delegates from the three states of the Pacific coast met here today at the first session of the "Three States Good Roads" rally. Governor Lister of Washington who is president of the convention, was introduced by Governor Johnson and the Washington executive received an ovation.

Governor West and other members of the Oregon delegations were expected to arrive this afternoon. After Governor Johnson had finished a brief speech, striking at the outset the keynote of enthusiasm which dominates the convention and announcing his stand for a great highway connecting the three states, Governor Lister assumed the gavel. He addressed the convention under the title of "the general necessity for good roads" and scored heavily with his argument.

A big mass meeting is planned for tonight with Governor Johnson and Governor Lister as the principal speakers.

New York-St. Louis Ball Game
At St. Louis (first game)—
R. H. E.
New York 1 4 2
St. Louis 2 8 2
Batteries—Caldwell and Sweeney, Allison and Agnew.
Umpires—McGreevy and Conolly.

A YOUNG MILLIONAIRE AND HIS PRETTY BRIDE CAUGHT BY THE CAMERA MAN ON THEIR ELOPEMENT



The kind of energy and determination which made it possible for William Weightman of Philadelphia, the "quinine king," and head of the great drug and chemical house of Weightman & Powers, to accumulate a fortune of \$75,000,000, stood William Weightman III in good stead

when his heart became tangled with that of pretty Miss Mary Powers. The young man, who has a good many millions in his own right, is the nephew of Mrs. Frederick Cortland Penfield, wife of the new ambassador to Austria, would have had a chance to shine in the best European society.

HOLD DOZEN AS SUSPECTS IN SOO TRAIN ROBBERY

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 20.—As a result of the dragnet thrown out by the police department in an endeavor to enmesh the highwaymen responsible for holding up the Spokane passenger train of the O. W. R. & N. last night, fifteen men were arrested today charged with vagrancy. None of those in custody have been accused of the holdup, and all will probably be released as they do not fit the descriptions of the men wanted. The reward of \$5000 offered last night for the arrest of each of the bandits was reduced to \$1500 today.

Doubt seemed to exist in the minds of some of the officers this afternoon whether four highwaymen participated in the robbery, but the consensus of opinion was that four men were involved.

MEDFORD COUPLE WED AT JACKSONVILLE

Vern Anderson, age 22, and Miss Dorothy Barnes, age 17, were married at Jacksonville Tuesday afternoon. The couple went to the county seat, secured a license and a pastor, were married and then informed their parents, who put their approval on the step. Miss Muriel Bures accompanied the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Anderson will make their home in Medford.

NORTH OAKDALE HOME PURCHASED FOR \$3500

The residence property on the slightly location at 15 North Oakdale belonging to Mrs. Eresa J. Potter of Rogue River, was purchased Tuesday by Mrs. S. J. Erdman, consideration \$3500. Mrs. Erdman took possession at once, and has moved her household effects in from her ranch, and is now located in her new home. The deal was made through the G. Alder Realty Co.

PHILADELPHIA TRIES DIRECT PRIMARY

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 20.—The Philadelphia county election commissioners today were swamped with the first petitions to have candidates names printed on the ballots for the fall primaries. All candidates not having their names presented to the commissioners by this evening will be ineligible to run in the primaries for the several county and city offices.

THAW TO FIGHT AGAINST RETURN TO MATTEAWAN

Escaped Slayer to Remain in Prison Cell While Lawyers Outline Legal Action—Mother's Wealth to Balk Canada's Deportation.

New Hampshire Courts to Deal With Prisoner on Return to United States—Brother-in-Law to Rescue

SHERBROOKE, Que., Aug. 20.—Owing to the decision of Canadian Immigration Commissioners Williams and Reynolds to deport Harry K. Thaw as soon as he is released from jail here, Thaw's lawyers prefer that he shall remain temporarily in his cell and are meantime preparing to secure an injunction to prevent his deportation.

George Carnegie, Thaw's brother-in-law, is en route here from New York with Mrs. Carnegie, and has retained Charles G. White, K. C. an immigration law expert, as chief counsel to fight the decision to deport Thaw.

The slayer of Stanford White said today that he is most comfortable in his cell in the prison hospital. He declared himself most cheerful and expressed the conviction that he never will return to Matteawan as he can easily demonstrate that he is not and never was insane.

His lawyers visited Thaw at noon today to get his signature to an affidavit in connection with the habeas corpus proceedings which are to be brought. White, his chief counsel said afterward:

"We should like a week to familiarize ourselves with the case but will not complain even if we have only a day."

Experts here today say that the fight to deport Thaw or to gain his freedom will last for weeks and may be a replica of the fight to get Green and Gaynor, the Savannah, Ga., embezzlers back into American custody.

SHERBROOKE, Que., Aug. 20.—Harry K. Thaw, slayer of Stanford White, who was captured at Coni-cooke after his escape from Matteawan asylum in New York state, will be released today because his commitment here was irregular. He will be at once re-arrested, however and surrendered to the immigration authorities. Then, unless he produces a ticket to Detroit which he claims to have, he will be deported by the same route over which he entered Canada. That would take Thaw back into New Hampshire, not to New York, and the battle for his extradition to New York would still have to be fought, in the New Hampshire courts.

SHERBROOKE, Que., Aug. 20.—Harry K. Thaw today won the first point in the fight here to take him back to Matteawan asylum when, instead of being turned loose to be deported to American soil by the

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POINTS WOE TO COLORADO WHEN SUGAR IS CUT

DENVER, Colo., Aug. 20.—Director Charles Boettcher of the Great Western Sugar company is quoted in the Denver Express today as saying that Colorado beet sugar growers will have to stand at least four-sevenths of the 35 per cent reduction in the sugar duty if the Wilson tariff bill passes. In part he said:

"Our company will close eight of our nine Colorado plants, but we will not dismantle them because fools cannot stay in office forever. When the beet sugar farmers learn that they will have to stand their share of the tariff reductions and the consumer learns that he will not get cheaper sugar, the men who help to pass this bill will be retired to private life and we shall be able to go on with manufacturing."