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JURY DECLARES "JAZZ" GIRL IS INSANE

FAINTS AS VERDICT OF JURY IS READ

Dorothy Ellingson, 17 Year Old Matricide, Will Go to Asylum As Result of 11 to One Verdict Reached By Jury in Less Than Hour—Outbursts Are Convincing.

SAN FRANCISCO, 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 has 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 eleven to one for insanity.

The jury retired at 10:25 a. m. and reported shortly after eleven o'clock that it had reached a verdict. As the verdict was read the girl fainted.

She shot her mother in the bedroom 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 courtroom cleared. She made no outcry. Her head fell back and she rested in the arms of a matron. When she finally recovered consciousness the former "jazz girl" was hysterical for more than an hour. She refused to see her father or her brother.

"God forgive them!" she cried, referring to all who had taken part in the effort to have her adjudged insane. She found no comfort in the situation, pointing out to the matrons that she was sure to be found sane some day—since she was sane—and that then she must undergo the murder trial.

She was taken to the hospital ward of the prison and gradually became more composed.

The court indicated that the girl would be committed to a state institution of his own selection.

Members of the jury while reticent in discussing the case, gave indication that they had taken into consideration all factors in the case, the girl's deed in killing her mother on what was said to be a trivial pretext, the girl's outbursts in the courtroom and the testimony of alienists.

One Dissenting Juror.

The one dissenting juror was Jacob E. Selbeck, a retired shoe dealer. He was firmly of the opinion that she was sane.

The jury consumed but 45 minutes in its deliberations.

The verdict closes for the present, at least, one of the most unusual cases in annals of American jurisprudence.

Instructions Given

SAN FRANCISCO, April 9.—Judge Harold Louderback in superior court here this morning read his instructions to the jury in submitting the issue of the sanity of Dorothy Ellingson, the 17 year old matricide, whose murder trial was interrupted ten days ago when her attorneys moved to have her present mental competence determined.

After the week and a half of testimony, covering every phase of the tragedy and the girl's demeanor since, the lawyers closed their final arguments last night, leaving for this morning only her court's charge before the case was ready to be given to the jury of nine men and three women.

Civil procedure governs the matter, despite the fact that it is part of a murder trial. Thus the votes

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BLONDE CHORUS GIRLS SCARCE BECAUSE OF BOBBED HAIR CRAZE

LONDON, April 9.—Scarcity of blonde chorus girls is divulged by London producers. The managers believe this is due to the bobbing and shingling vogue which in their opinion has caused abandonment of the use of hair dyes.

A number of druggists have complained that the sale of peroxide has fallen off alarmingly.

Since the war many girls have gone in for office work and the managers contend that the tea shops also have lured many of their possible candidates for the chorus.

Ben Turpin to Quit Movies; Wife So Ill Must Do Housework

LOS ANGELES, April 9.—Ben Turpin, motion picture comedian, today announced that he has decided to quit the screen. His retirement was made imperative, he explained, by the serious illness of his wife, who recently suffered two strokes of apoplexy.

According to friends of the comedian, Turpin is doing his own housework to be near his sick wife, who cannot stand his absence and becomes irritated at the servants.

FRENCH LEADER TURNS DEFEAT INTO VICTORY

Premier Herriot Springs A Surprise on Deputies, Abandons Defense for Offense—Carries Chamber Before Him—Future Still Uncertain.

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

PARIS, April 9.—(By The 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 have had him fighting 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 had also planned to speak was such as to make the government's position look dubious, he might resign without awaiting a vote.

PARIS, April 9.—(By The Associated Press.)—The chamber of deputies after three o'clock this afternoon began the discussion of the financial situation.

The government seemed to have a majority of about seventy in the first test vote by a show of hands as to when the discussion should take place.

Premier Herriot began speaking amid a terrific uproar, his followers welcoming him noisily with the opposition boos.

Every deputy was present, packing the chamber.

Premier Herriot said he had decided to speak immediately because of the "imprudent campaign now going on in the financial domain, injuring France before her own public opinion and what is more dangerous, opinion abroad."

He added that he would show with figures that the financial situation of France was not so critical as broadcast by his political enemies.

The premier said the present financial crisis was a logical outcome of the policies of all the governments since the armistice.

"I won't speak of our foreign debt," continued the premier, "because you are aware of the uncertainty of the situation. You know how heavily it weighs on our financial situation, even at times interfering with our very political liberty."

Pandemonium broke loose at Herriot's reference to the foreign debt interfering with political freedom. His supporters rose and cheered while the opposition boomed.

SEC'Y WORK TOLD TO FIRE H. D. NEWELL

President Coolidge's Cabinet Member Told What's What in Hectic Klamath Meeting—Want Copco Power Contract Probed—Mr. Work Listens Carefully But Says Nothing.

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., April 9.—Discharge of Herbert D. Newell, project manager for the reclamation service on the Klamath irrigation district and immediate investigation of the reputed secret contract by which the power rights on the project were sold by a former board and the reclamation service to the California Oregon Power company, were urged by directors of the district at a conference here this morning with Dr. Hubert Work, secretary of the interior, and Elwood Mead, reclamation commissioner.

R. E. Bradbury, chairman of the irrigation board, charged that the presence here of Manager Newell is detrimental to the interests of the water users and should be relieved from office.

Bradbury and other members of the board also contended that valuable water and power rights were turned over to the power company for \$120,000 when they rightfully belonged to the district.

It was pointed out that under an act of the Oregon legislature in 1905 in 1923, and it was nearly a year before the water users learned of the contract. At a special election last year, it was declared, the water users instructed the old board to start proceedings for the revocation of this sale, but the board refused to take any action.

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Secretary Says Nothing

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The cabinet officer 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, Malin and Tule lake reclamation districts on a general inspection trip.

Following the conference with the directors of the irrigation district, Mr. Work conferred with a delegation of the sportsmen's association on the question of re-flooding the lower Klamath lake and creating a bird reserve; and with a delegation of the local American Legion post which is anxious to have the secretary open several thousand acres of homestead land in the Tule lake district to settlement.

Hal Donahey, Son of Ohio Governor, Placed Under Control of Juvenile Court Until He Is 21—Girl Companion Placed on Strict Probation.

ZANESVILLE, Ohio, April 9.—(By Associated Press.)—Hall Donahey, 19 year old son of Governor Vic Donahey, today was fined \$100 and costs 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. E. Bradford of Muskingum county until the fine was paid. He also was placed under the control of the Muskingum county juvenile court until he reaches 21 years of age.

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

Mrs. Donahey who was in court with her son and the girl, paid the fine and costs.

Judge Graham said he was convinced that there had been no improper conduct between the governor's son and Miss Vogel and that the only reason he fined Hal was because he had not told the truth to him last Tuesday when the judge questioned him about the disappearance of Miss Vogel.

"It is too bad that your father bought you the fine roadster," Judge Graham said. "I hope that you will sell it to pay this fine. It is like you told me yesterday—you have too much sporting blood in your veins to own an automobile."

Judge Graham told Miss Vogel that she must not appear at public dances and that she would be watched continuously by court authorities for the next year.

ZANESVILLE, Ohio, April 9.—The formal charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor was filed against Hal Donahey, 19 year old son of Governor Donahey, by Probation Officer Bernard Holt in juvenile court here today, as a result of his having taken Lillian Vogel, 15 year old school girl to Columbus in his automobile Sunday night.

The whereabouts of the girl remained a mystery from Sunday night until yesterday when she was discovered in a rooming house at Columbus by Mrs. Donahey.

Hal until confronted with the girl at the executive mansion at Columbus yesterday had denied that he took her to Columbus. Miss Vogel declared that Hal was guilty of no wrongdoing.

She said she had spent Sunday night with a friend in Columbus and she had gone to the rooming house Monday with a friend of the girl with whom she had stayed all night.

Judge Graham of the probate court had asserted he would prosecute young Donahey as far as facts in the case warrant.

He said he was determined that "everything be brought to light."

BASEBALL SCORES

Yesterday's Results.
At Los Angeles 4, Portland 9.
At San Francisco 6, Seattle 11.
At Sacramento 4, Oakland 2.
At Salt Lake 9, Vernon 8.

Not Gerald Chapman, but George Chartres



Gerald Chapman, dauntless, mail robber, who was tried at Hartford, Conn., accused of killing Police-man James J. Skelly when surprised during the robbery of a store in New Britain, is shown here reading his lawyer's papers. He went over his own defense carefully while the State was presenting witnesses to prove him guilty of murder.

GOVERNOR'S SON FINED \$100 AND DENIED LIBERTY

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SAYS RAILROADS WILL BE ORDERED TO EXTEND LINES

PORTLAND, Ore., April 9.—Confidence was expressed here by J. M. Devers, assistant attorney general for Oregon that the inter-state commerce commission within the next sixty days will issue an order requiring the railroads now touching the outer limits of interior Oregon to build an east to west line from Burns to Bend, from Bend to a connection with the Southern Pacific's Eugene-Klamath Falls cut-off and from Klamath Falls to Lakeview.

Devers had just returned from Washington, where he argued the issues raised by the Oregon public service commission to compel the railway construction desired by communities and interests now without transportation facilities.

W. D. SHEPHERD'S LAST CHANCE IS SOON DUE

CHICAGO, April 9.—William D. Shepherd's last chance for release from jail pending his trial on charges of killing with typhoid germs his foster-son, William Nelson McClintock, orphan millionaire, lies with the Illinois supreme court in Springfield.

Decision by the court on a motion for a writ of habeas corpus, filed by his counsel yesterday for presentation to the court today, is ordered within a few days.

William Scott Stewart, Shepherd's counsel, said he expected the writ would be made returnable as soon as possible.

Chicago authorities meanwhile awaited a report tonight or tomorrow from the coroner's chemist, who has been making poison tests on the body of Dr. Oscar Olson, formerly McClintock's physician, who died two years ago shortly after he received a visit from Shepherd.

Alleged Victim of Klan Dragon Can't Recover Says Doctor

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 9.—Miss Madge Oberholzer, Indianapolis, alleged to have been assaulted by D. C. Stephenson, former grand dragon of the Ku Klux Klan in Indiana, cannot recover from self-administered poison, according to her physician, Dr. John R. Kinsbury.

The young woman may live several days, the physician said. She has been unconscious a week. An infection caused a slight change for the worse last night. Some hope had been entertained for her recovery because of her vitality.

BABE RUTH IS SERIOUSLY ILL, WIFE COLLAPSES

Home Run King Falls in Faint in Pullman and Suffers Concussion of the Brain—Carried Unconscious to Hotel Hospital.

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 ill 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 fainted 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 wash room to wash his hands and face and brush his hair preparatory to saying "hello" to the friends who were to meet him at the station. Kitchell went to the Babe's compartment 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.

Another concussion seized the patient as he was being carried from the ambulance into the hospital and the physicians administered a hypodermic. When he became conscious a doctor asked: "How do you feel?" "Rotten," muttered Ruth. Then he smiled and spoke his wife's name.

President Replies to Peru.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—President Coolidge's reply to the Peruvian memorial on the Tacna-Arica case was delivered today to the Peruvian ambassador. It is probable the reply together with the memorial will be made available for publication in morning papers tomorrow.

China Minister Appointed.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—John Van A. MacMurray, an assistant secretary of state, was appointed today to be minister to China.

Jury Can't Reach Verdict

PORTLAND, Ore., April 9.—The jury trying the suit of Frank M. Arnold, former soldier, against the veterans bureau was discharged this morning by Federal Judge Wolverton. Its members declared they could not agree after awaiting yesterday afternoon and last night.

Judge Wolverton refused to set the case for re-trial as it will likely be several months before it comes up again.

TAXICAB DRIVER WINS HIS BET; GETS A WIFE IN LESS THAN 36 HOURS

METUCHEN, N. J., April 9.—Patrick Kreps, owner of a taxicab business which he wagered yesterday against the restaurant business owned by William A. Elchbaum in a bet that he could get married in 36 hours although he had no feminine friends, left here today for Elktion, Mass., accompanied by his prospective bride, Miss Aratha Esther Hollis. Kreps said that he expected to be married about one p. m. in Elktion and told Elchbaum that when he returned he would take over the latter's restaurant. Both men signed an agreement to their wager before a notary. It was the result of Elchbaum joking Kreps about his unmarried state.

Miss Hollis is employed in the office of a New Brunswick hosiery shop. She is forty years old, the same as Kreps.

IDENTITY OF R. R. BANDIT DISCLOSED

Gerald Chapman, Picturesque Mail Robber, Sentenced to Death for Murder—Is Geo. Chartres, Brother of Well Known N. Y. Educator—Clue Furnished By Chapman in 1907.

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 Chartres, a son of Irish parents and a brother of a man who now holds a responsible educational position here.

Since Chartres, alias Chapman, was found guilty of the murder of Policeman Skelly of New Britain, Conn., officials of that state have been investigating his past life. The convicted man himself put them on the trail. On April 13, 1907, when he was convicted of grand larceny in New York county, he gave his right name. He was sentenced then to serve ten years in prison but was paroled June 19, 1908.

On his release he gave the name of his nearest relative as Mrs. Katherine Connors, No. 171 107th street, New York city.

Mrs. Connors, it was said, is an aunt. She is still alive but no longer resides at this address. Chartres also has a sister, it was said.

Officials refused to divulge the names of the brother and sister.

"Chartres," records show, was an undersized 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 scorned class room work and study, passing examinations easily.

His first arrest came in 1907. He was then twenty years old.

Released from prison he returned to his aunt's home here. Soon he was re-arrested charged with the violation of parole. While awaiting his return to the state prison at Albany, he was identified by two detectives at the Tomba as "Curley" of the "Park avenue mob." These detectives charged him with burglary and on September 23, 1908, he was sentenced to three and one-half years in Sing Sing.

It was then, according to the story that his relatives disowned 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 Chartres has no home, moreover his relatives refuse to concede his very existence. The brother, who is married and has three children, and who is a regular church goer, was interviewed by reporters, who did not make public his name.

"That man is dead," he said slowly. "I tell you I have no brother. He is dead. I want to live my own life."

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