

NOOSE NEARING FOR SENTENCED LOUISIANA PAIR

Only Insanity Plea and Supreme Court Hold Hope for Ada LeBouef and Dr. Dreher — Governor Refuses to Commute.

BATON ROUGE, La., Jan. 2.—Only an insanity plea and the state supreme court today stood between the hangman's noose and Mrs. Ada LeBouef and Dr. Thomas F. Dreher, sentenced to death for the murder of the woman's husband, James LeBouef. Governor Huey P. Long last night declined to commute the death penalty of the pair to life imprisonment.

With the hope of aid from the governor gone, counsel for the condemned today planned to appear before Judge James D. Simon, who presided at the trial, and request an inquiry by a sanity commission into the present mental status of Mrs. LeBouef and Dr. Dreher. If this move fails, counsel planned to apply to the state supreme court to halt the execution until a hearing can be held.

The execution is set for Saturday between noon and 3 o'clock.

The application for commutation of the death sentence to life imprisonment was rejected by Governor Long in a 5,000-word statement, in which he cited the brutality of the murder. The statement mentioned the Chicago Leopold and Loeb case as an example of the evil of life imprisonment, saying that while "their existence in Joliet penitentiary is one of pleasure and abandonment," the result is shown by Chicago statistics listing 527 persons killed last year against 476 the year before.

"But one thing remains," continued the statement, "to save this country from an insidious crime wave and reckless destruction of human life, an unwavering policy of enforcement not only by state officials but by upstanding citizenship of this country. In this case a commutation of sentence would be opening the doors of the state wide to those who lightly regard human life. I fail to find one single condition of extenuating circumstance which would justify my thwarting the course of the law as has prevailed in this state and this country for centuries past."

James LeBouef was murdered on July 1, 1927, in a boat on Lake Palourde. The body was slashed, weighted and sunk in the lake.

Views of the SCREEN

Crook Romance, Rialto
"Romance of the Underworld," now playing at the Rialto theatre, has been acclaimed universally as one of the most engrossing stories of crookdom on the screen.
Based on the stage play of the same name by Paul Armstrong, it has been brought up to date.
Mary Astor, Ben Bard and Robert Elliott are featured and the supporting cast is flawless.
The life of the shady side of a great city is graphically pictured in this realistic revelation of speakeasies and their attendant evils.

A most spectacular and powerful drama is at Hunt's Criterion. It is "The Foreign Legion," co-starring Norman Kerry and Lewis Stone, supported by Mary Nolan and June Marlowe.
It is sheer drama, of romance and revolt, relieved with comedy. The story revolves around the powerful situation of a son and his father opposed to each other, neither knowing who the other is.
The action takes place in the colorful locale of Algiers and is featured by sensational photographic beauty. On the dramatic side, highlights are the troops and the mutiny in the desert led by Kerry unknowingly against his father. They also are pitiful for the smiles of Mary Nolan, blonde and dangerous. Another powerful sequence is where the father is presiding judge at his son's trial.

TAMMANY MOVES IN NEW WIGWAM

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—(AP)—The Tammany society and its political branch, the Democratic county committee, today were established in their new wigwam, a three-story building of colonial design in Union Square.
Among the treasured articles removed to the new quarters from the temporary home in Park avenue was a cap worn in the American Revolution by the Liberty Boys, the original bosses of Tammany. The cap, of deep red with gold embroidery, was patterned after that worn by the man slaves when they were free.
The society last summer sold its former home in Fourteenth street, which it had occupied since 1899.

President Seeks Flat
VIENNA, Jan. 2.—(AP)—Wilhelm Miklas, schoolmaster who became president, is having a hard time finding a suitable home for himself and eleven children. He will have none of the palaces and mansions offered him, but wants a flat near his office.

GOVERNOR REFUSES TO INTERFERE



Dr. Thomas E. Dreher and Ada Bonner LeBouef, who are sentenced to hang January 5 at Franklin, La., for the murder of the latter's husband, James J. LeBouef.

Screen Life in Hollywood

By WADE WERNER

HOLLYWOOD, Cal.—This is a nervous town these days, full of the heebiebies. Silent screen players bite their

finger nails over the increasing importation of stage players for talking film roles while the newcomers show a tendency to break out into cold perspiration under the cruel stare of the camera.

Eleanor Griffith, one of the most recent importations from Broadway, feels there is just as much reason for nervousness on one side as the other. A camera, she points out, can weld a stage player unaccustomed to it just as much as a microphone can weld a screen ingenue unaccustomed to speaking stage lines.

"Under the circumstances," observed Miss Griffith between the scenes of "Nightstick," her first venture into the talking movies, "the feeling of resentment here toward newcomers from the stage is puzzling me. I don't think the experienced players of the silent screen have much fear from us, really. Some of us may fit into the pictures. I hope, to my self.

Dark Side Brighter
Among those who can look forward to a more prosperous season than they have ever had in motion pictures are the negro players and extras. With King Vidor making "Hallelujah," Fox making "Hearts in Dixie," and Christie a series of all-negro talking comedies, the demand for negro talent is at its all-time high in Hollywood. "Larks in Dixie" will be an effort to incorporate in one talking-singing picture the best negro talent obtainable in drama, comedy and song.

An amusing feature of Christie's use of negro talent in the talking comedies is that many of the negroes do not photograph dark enough to look like negroes.

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A NEW YORKER AT LARGE

By G. D. SEYMOUR

NEW YORK.—Revelers whose names are in the Social Register have gotten their fill of mingling with racketeers and riff-raff, and Broadway's night life is undergoing its first major transformation in half a dozen years.

The summer has seen the passing of several dozen night clubs hidden up alleys and down dark halls, where only a season ago hilarity abounded "from 10 p. m. till closing." Folk with reputations to preserve no longer find it a lark to visit them. At the clubs that are flourishing this fall all the fables are reserved. Desirable patrons can get reservations. Gangsters and rowdies are unwelcome, and more and more frequently they arrive at such rendezvous to find that everything is taken.

Other symptoms of the transformation about. The St. Regis roof, which was opened last summer as a select place to dine and dance, has become the Club St. Regis, open only to members. Anthony Drexel Biddle is president, and non-members may be entertained as guests only once every four months.

And Florenz Ziegfeld, Jr., is reopening his Midnight Frolic on the roof of the New Amsterdam theatre, with a \$7.50 cover charge and with the assurance that guests at his after-theatre and dancing supper club need not rub elbows with ruffians and money hoodlums.

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FOUR ARE JAILED CONNECTION WITH HORST KIDNAPING

ORRVILLE, O., Jan. 2.—(AP)—Four men and one woman, all members of the same family, are in the county jail at Wooster, awaiting grand jury consideration on charges of child stealing in connection with the disappearance a week ago of Melvin Horst, four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Horst of Orville.

The five suspects pleaded not guilty last night when arraigned before Mayor A. C. Weygandt of Orville, one of the leaders in the search for the boy. They were in post bonds of \$10,000 each.

Those held are Elias (Nell) Arnold, 55, of Orville; William Arnold, 39, electrical supply dealer of Akron, his son Arthur Arnold, Orville, another son, Mrs. Dorothy McHenry, 27, of Orville, daughter of the elder Arnold, and her husband, Isaac McHenry.

County Prosecutor Walter Moseley said the warrants charge all five had a part in enticing the small boy from his home late last Thursday, but added the arrests had thrown no further light on whether Melvin is dead or alive.

The four men had previously been arrested by Roy Horst, city marshal, and uncle of Melvin. It is the supposition of Moseley that hatred of Roy Horst caused his enemies to kidnap Melvin, thinking he was the marshal's son.

The four men were arrested early yesterday and Mrs. McHenry was taken into custody at 7 o'clock last night.

The prisoners offered alibis, but the prosecutor said there were many conflicting details in their stories.

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REPORT HERRICK 'MUCH IMPROVED'

CLEVELAND, Jan. 2.—(AP)—The condition of Myron T. Herrick, United States ambassador to France, who is ill with asthmatic influenza, was described as "much improved" today by Dr. John Phillips.

Last night Mr. Herrick was able to sit up in bed to read and listen to the radio.

The 74-year-old diplomat was forced to bed at his Cuyahoga Falls estate about 10 days ago when he suffered an attack of bronchitis. Tuesday night his condition suddenly became worse and two tanks of oxygen were sent from a hospital to the estate to be used in case of emergency. Two nurses also were put on duty at his bedside.

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Precautions you can take immediately

THERE is no use worrying every time you draw a breath for fear you will breathe in some influenza germs. Do the following two things and forget it: First, keep your nose and throat well protected, and second, keep your system in good condition. The chances are you will avoid contagion.

"As a first precaution, I am prescribing Mistol to all my patients, as it protects the nose and throat against the germs of influenza. Use it every morning, the first thing, before you go out. Again when you come home at night. Don't be afraid to use it freely; it will do no harm.

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