

## STANDS FIRMLY BY MARY GARDNER

New York, March 29.—Quivering with anger and indignation, Mary Gardner, the singer, today reiterated her denials of the gossip and scandalous tales that have intimated that she led a dissolute life in London before she achieved fame.

"God is my witness, I deny that I have ever been mother of a child," cried the singer. "How terrible an accusation; how unjust; how wicked and all of the venomous work of one woman."

"I looked upon the entire matter not seriously, but when I have met the Mayer indebtedness, and find that I am now the target for wretched, cruel, libelous stories concerning my past life, I have changed my attitude and for the first time I am enraged—furious—and I mean to see that the guilty ones do not go ADD TO COME.

Chicago, March 29.—Expressing sorrow for the fact that back-biting remarks concerning the reputation of Miss Mary Gardner have been attributed to her, Mrs. David Mayer, the wealthy patroness, to-day gave out the following interview:

"It is true, every word of it—what Mary says. She has been the victim of malicious gossipers. She has been outraged. I hope that she will punish her traducers.

"I know that Mary Gardner has never been a mother. That story was told to me in Paris four years

ago. I received at again in letters from malicious backbiters. Mary and I had several very hearty laughs over it. But as we both knew it to be groundless, we did not treat it seriously.

"She has been ungrateful. I saw her first when she was a girl in Chicago with undeveloped talent and a world of temperament and no means.

"I grew tremendously interested in her. I helped her. I supplied for her the money and the encouragement that she needed, and I even extended to greater lengths the favors that I had pledged in my hours of greatest enthusiasm.

"Now, look upon her. She is the most worshipped star of a continent. Her name adorns the first pages and income is, I am told, \$100,000 a year.

"And with what am I rewarded by her for making these triumphs possible? I am snubbed, and she gives forth statements that she had never descended to social relations with me.

"But, with all these things, I share her sorrow over the unfortunate allegations made against her by a gossip who has forgotten consideration and forgotten the essential elements of truth and decency.

"It is cruel and pitiful. I am sincerely sorry for Mary Gardner, and in this respect I wish to extend to her my deepest sympathy."

## CALHOUN TRIAL CAUSES ARRESTS

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, March 29.—All the cases of the United Railroads officials and employes, and the cases of Burns' men, arrested Saturday, were continued this morning in Judge Deasy's court until Wednesday for arraignment.

Frank J. Murphy, Reuf's attorney, was the only one of the defendants who announced himself ready for arraignment. He was arraigned and his case will be set for trial Wednesday morning.

J. H. Handlon, claims agent of the United Railroads, later chief of the Calhoun detective agency, and William S. Abbott, chief counsel for Patrick Calhoun, appeared in court accompanied by Calhoun.

As soon as Judge Deasy took his seat, Attorney James F. Sheehan, of the United Railroads, who represented the United Railroads' defendants, made a motion for a continuance of one week. Assistant District Attorney Louis H. Ward objected to the continuance, and stated that the prosecution was ready to proceed. He said he desired that the three men be arraigned at once.

After a conference between the

court, the district attorney's representatives and the attorneys for the defendant, it was agreed that the case be put off for two days.

Following the disposition of the cases of the United Railroads officials, Attorney Frank J. Murphy, charged with having purchased stolen reports, and Detective Burns' former deputies approached the bar. Murphy was represented by his clerk attorney C. M. Douglas. Douglas stated that his client, Murphy, was ready for arraignment.

Murphy announced that he desired arraignment this morning and did not want to be "running up to the court room every day."

Attorney Peery, representing Jerry Van Wormer, the United Railroad's detective, asked for a continuance of Van Wormer's case for one week.

A. McKinley charged that the same disposition should be made of all three cases. This was agreed to. The cases were continued until Wednesday morning, at which time the date of arraignment will be set.

E. A. Platt, the last man called, who is a Burns detective, stated that he expected to be represented by Sen

ator Simms, and his case was continued with the rest until Wednesday.

Corbin, who has been on the detinue book since Saturday morning, was booked today on a warrant charging him with grand larceny. He is the last of the party to be charged.

There was a marked contrast between the entrance of the United Railroad's employes and the men who confessed to William J. Burns to having stolen documents and reports from the district attorney's office.

Handlon, Brown and Abbott, supported by Calhoun, walked into the court room like free men. Hamlin, McKinley and Platt were brought in under heavy guard, and handcuffed. Corbin remained in the city prison, and was not charged until after court convened.

All of the principals left the court room immediately after the disposition of the cases. Hamlin, McKinley and Platt were returned to the city prison and again locked in separate cells. Hamlin and McKinley and Corbin so far have been unable to secure bail. Platt was released on \$5000 bonds, furnished by the American Bonding Company, as soon as he was returned to the prison from the court room.

## COLORED FOLKS HONOR JOHNSON

(United Press Leased Wire.)

New York, March 29.—Jack Johnson, colored heavyweight pugilist and champion of the world, swelling with pride at a "splendid reception given him by some 7000 ebony-hued men, women and children, bursting with eloquence, which he was endeavoring to launch upon thousands who gathered in the streets to hear him, met ignominious rebuke today from a humble member of Police Commissioner Bingham's force.

Johnson had been greeted by his friends at the station, he had been paraded through the Nether portion of the city designated as "Little Africa," had been feted and breakfasted by a select coterie, and in response to an insistent demand, stood upon a balcony of the restaurant and addressed the crowd without. He had barely finished the preliminaries, and was warning up to the main event, when the bluecoat in raucous tones cried:

"That'll be about all, Johnson. Cut it short."

Several thousand black faces turned almost white at the audacity of the "cop," and many persons shuddered at the fate in store for him. Terror gave way to relief, however, when Johnson, recognizing the might of the law, vested in the individual, gracefully waved his hand and retired to the seclusion of the dining room.

The route of the Johnson triumphal entry was lined with cheering crowds whose dark background set off to perfection the flags and handkerchiefs which were waved in welcome to the invincible black.

When the restaurant was reached Johnson was lifted from his automobile and carried into the building on husky shoulders.

## FINED RAILROAD FOR CINCHING CITIZEN

Salt Lake City, Utah, March 29.—Judge Marshal, in the United States circuit court, today fined the Union Pacific railroad, the Oregon Short Line, the Union Pacific Coal Company, J. M. Moore, agent of the coal company, and Everett Buckingham, former superintendent of the Oregon Short Line, \$2000 each.

The decision was in the suit brought by the D. J. Sharp Coal Co. Sharp alleged that the defendants forced him out of business two years ago, because he met the price of coal.

It was alleged that the Union Pacific Coal Company, acting in conjunction with the railroads, made it impossible for Sharp to obtain coal at a cost that would enable him to compete for business.

## CRAZY SNAKE

(Continued from page 1.)

private military staff of the governor of Washington is no more, for it has been wiped out of existence by the new military code. Hereafter, when the chief executive desires the presence of gaudily uniformed aides to lend splendor to special occasions, he must select officers from the regular militia. Hence Colonel William Potts, Seattle; Lieutenant Colonel D. Dawson Egan, Bellingham; A. N. Brown, Seattle; J. M. Fish, Kettle Falls, and A. J. Welshbach, Tacoma, who composed the governor's private staff, will no longer draw from the state \$40 a year with which to purchase uniforms with gold trimmings.

## DOTTIE HOUCK PUT UP A JOB

Portland, Ore., March 29.—After she had been bound and gagged, according to her own confession in order to obtain the consent of her parents to her marriage to her soldier lover Dottie Houck, 15 years of age, a high school girl to-day tearfully asked the forgiveness of her father and mother and promised that for the present she would abandon the idea of becoming a bride.

When Mr. and Mrs. Houck returned home from a visit late Saturday night, they were alarmed on finding their daughter lying on her bed with her legs securely tied and a gag in her mouth. A message on the floor said that acquaintances of Charles C. Taylor, soldier, now in jail at Vancouver, Wash., accused of detaining the Houck girl in that city a few days ago, had attacked the girl because she was not allowed to marry Taylor.

The miss insisted that she had been the victim of an attack, playing her part well, until she was confronted with the similarity of the handwriting of the note to her own. She then confessed, but pleaded with her parents to consent to her marriage.

To-day, however, her love for the soldier cooled and she promised to attend school and be good.

## MAKING FIGHT AGAINST OPIUM

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Cleveland, O., March 29.—The Rev. A. S. Gregg, corresponding secretary of the International Reform Bureau, with headquarters at Washington, has established offices here and to-day is flooding the country with literature in the crusade against opium traffic. The bureau heretofore has been interested chiefly in anti-gambling, anti-horseracing and anti-saloon campaigns in various states. The spread of the bureau's propaganda has been actively spreading on the Pacific Coast and in British Columbia. The credit for the recent action of the Federal government in regulating the traffic is taken to itself by the bureau.

## KIDNAPER BOYLE ASKS PROTECTION

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Sharon, Pa., March 29.—District Attorney Linger today received a letter from H. Randall Locobile, pastor of the First Christian church, of Remington, Ind., urging that the kidnapers of Billie White be punished to the fullest extent of the law, explaining that he had heard there was a tendency toward leniency.

Boyle, who kidnaped the boy, was brought here for his preliminary hearing today, and will be taken back to Mercer tonight. Mrs. Boyle will be brought here tomorrow.

It is rumored that wealthy Southern relatives of the woman are coming to her assistance, and will secure the ablest counsel possible.

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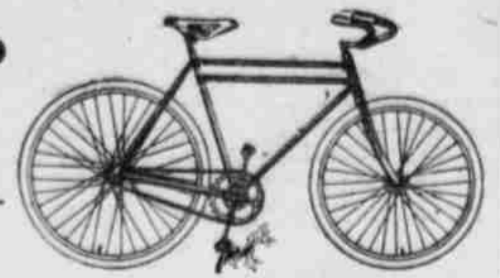
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THE BICYCLE MAN

Boyle this afternoon waived a preliminary hearing before Judge Gilbert, and was committed to the Mercer county jail for trial. A great crowd surrounded the court room during the hearing, and when he emerged in the custody of officers, Boyle begged for protection. The crowd made no hostile demon-

stration, except to jeer the prisoner. After hearing the request by A. Cochran, requesting James White, father of the kidnaped boy, Boyle's bail was fixed at \$25,000. He was unable to raise the amount.

"Boosters"—first letter wrong, for it should be "R," so they could crow



J. A. HEYDLER, ACTING HEAD OF NATIONAL BASEBALL LEAGUE

National league managers and players to-day have the most sincere respect for J. A. Heydler, who is acting as president of the league during the illness of President Fullum. Mr. Heydler's long association with professional baseball fits him for the important post, and he is a sportsman of the highest ideas of equity and fairness.

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Miss Harriet Brown, who is engaged to E. Suffers Taylor, the New York society man, is the daughter of Alexander Brown of Baltimore and is one of the most beautiful young women in that city. Mr. Taylor is a brother of J. Lee Taylor, Mrs. Robert Livingston, Mrs. Henry Burnett and Mrs. Sydney Smith. His family is one of the oldest in the state of New York, and he is a member of all the leading clubs in the metropolis.