

Was Madalynne Aid in Escape of Hammer Murderess? Law Suspicious



Los Angeles, Dec. 12.—Three women have the California police completely mystified today, and one, at least, studied them. A few of the things the Los Angeles coppers would like to know are these:

Did Madalynne Obenchain aid Clara Phillips in breaking out of the Los Angeles jail. Certain it is that the yellow curtain which Mrs. Phillips wagg across the bars of her cell, and under cover of which she saved her way to freedom, was given her by Mrs. Obenchain as she was about to leave the jail.

Did Mrs. Obenchain know of the anticipated jailbreak? Or was her gift of the curtain simply the act of courtesy of one unfortunate woman to another? If she did aid Mrs. Phillips deliberately, does this sympathy shown to a brutal murderess signify her own guilt in the murder of J. Belton Kennedy, of which she was herself accused, and of which three juries failed completely to acquit her?

The biggest question Los Angeles police are asking, of course, is: Where is Mrs. Phillips? In spite of various "clues" put forward by friends, police still believe her to be in Mexico or Lower California.

Although Peggy Coffey, whose story of the brutal hammer murder of Mrs. Alberta Messers was convicted. Mrs. Phillips, has been found, and is presently in terror of her life from the "Tiger Woman" police are not yet satisfied that she may not have had a hand in Mrs. Phillips' escape.

G. T. R. CLERKS' PAY REDUCTION IS MADE LESS

Montreal, Dec. 12.—Negotiations between the Canadian Pacific Railway and the International Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks, Freight Handlers, Express and Station Employees have been resumed and meetings relative to the sole question remaining in dispute, that of wage adjustments, are being held here.

The wage cuts enforced by the Grand Trunk Railway last July affecting the Brotherhood of Clerks employed on that system were considerably modified, according to an agreement signed here today, after lengthy conferences had

been held between the men and the railway officials.

Instead of an average decrease of three to five cents per man, the cut is now less than one cent per man. About 7,200 men are affected.

SOLDIERS' BONUS BILL AGAIN IS BEFORE SENATE

Washington, Dec. 12.—Declaring that a bonus to soldiers was as justifiable as "a bonus to the ship operators," Senator Simmons, Democrat, North Carolina, today reintroduced the soldier bonus bill, vetoed by President Harding, as an amendment to the administration shipping bill.

FURTHER BAIL FOR AMHERST MERCHANT ACCUSED OF ARSON

Amherst, Dec. 12.—Albert E. Lawrence, the Amherst merchant charged with arson, was granted further bail today by Judge Peterson, presiding at the regular session of the county court. The amount was fixed at \$10,000, the accused giving \$5,000, and S. C. Hewson and Robert Coates, \$2,500 each. The Lawrence trial will take place at the June session of the Supreme Court.

MR. AND MRS. S. KERR LEAVE ST. JOHN

A great many friends of Mr. and Mrs. S. Kerr will regret to hear that they have left the city to take up their residence at Saranac Lake in order to be with their daughter, who has been forced by ill health to live there. Another daughter, Mrs. Milligan, has also gone there to be with her sister. Mr. Kerr was the proprietor of the St. John Business College, which he joined in 1871 as a partner of A. H. Eaton, the founder. In 1875 he took over full management. In the great fire of 1877 the college building was burned, and the institution was moved to Prince William street until the building of the "O'Connell" Hall, where it is now situated. Mr. Kerr was a prominent member of St. David's Church and of the former St. John Choral Society. In his business life he made for himself many happy associations. Among the students who have been trained at Kerr's Business College were: R. T. Hayes, M.P.P.; T. H. Estabrook, W. Shives Fisher, F. J. G. Knowlton, J. E. Seccord, J. A. Coates; Charles Coates, D. G. Lingley, J. Willard Smith, J. E. C. Good, E. Barnes, L. C. Crosby and many others. Mr. Kerr's success was due to his honest business-like methods of work, his hearty genial manner and his tact in dealing with individuals.

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(New York Tribune) Motorists in the metropolitan districts have found much food for thought in two of the addresses delivered at the second National Conference on Education for Highway and Highway Transport Engineering at Washington. One was on "Highways and the Taxpayer," by A. J. Brosseau, member of the highways committee, National Automobile Chamber of Commerce; the other, "Sending the Highway to School," by George M. Graham also of the same committee of the Chamber.

"Transportation is, perhaps, the most vital factor in the lives of all," said Mr. Brosseau. "Every dollar of expenditure must return at least a dollar's worth of service."

Highway Development. "A survey of highway development as it is today shows that we are annually appropriating sums aggregating more than \$1,000,000,000 for city and rural highway construction and maintenance. A further survey of our needs shows that this programme must be continued for ten years or more if we

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are to arrive at a connected system of highways which will render the greatest possible service to the public."

Other significant points made by Mr. Brosseau were:
Engineering records show that from 40 to 50 per cent. of highway cost is permanent investment.
A highway, properly maintained, is a permanent highway and will not "wear out before the beetle's mature."
Cost of Construction.
Highway construction costs should be divided between the present generation and those to come, who also benefit.
Long-term bonds are economical, as they permit more extended construction immediately with benefits resulting promptly.
"The greatest boon of transportation is the lowering of the cost of necessities and the enjoyments of life so that happiness may be widespread," was among the remarks made by Mr. Graham.

ISLAND COW WINS MILK TEST AT FAIR
Amherst, Dec. 12.—The grand championship of the milk test of the Maritime Winter Fair, now being held here, was won by A. R. McKay, East Royal, P. E. I. His prize-winning Holstein tested 247.05 pounds, despite the fact that she went off her feed shortly after the test began several days ago.

MORE SMOKING JACKETS SOLD TO WOMEN THAN TO MEN
London, Nov. 28.—(By Mail).—A far greater number of smoking jackets are bought by women than men at the present time," a "London Daily News"



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representative was told by two Chelsea artist-dressmakers who specialize in out-of-the-ordinary clothes. "We make various sorts of smoking jackets for women and all sorts of materials are used. Subdued shades and color schemes of tropical gorgeousness are equally popular. "A considerable number of smoking jackets are made from plain velvet with decorative linings of broads painted or embroidered silk."

The Spirit of Christmas

STEAL downstairs on Christmas morning, and start a good old Christmas Carol. "Good King Wenceslas," or "Come, All Ye Faithful," or some of those stirring old Christmas Anthems which have descended from Gregorian chants of long ago, and woven themselves into the traditions of Christmas like a spell.

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