

NEWS NOTES GATHERED FROM THE WORLD OF STAGE AND SCREEN

MABEL NORMAND'S CHAUFFEUR HELD
FOR HIGHER COURT IN DINES SHOOTING

Los Angeles, Cal., March 20.—The latest hearing of the charge against Horace A. Greer, former chauffeur of Mabel Normand, film actress, of attempted murder against Courtland S. Dines, Denver oil operator, which resulted yesterday in Greer being held to answer to the superior court, developed several new phases including the following:

Witnesses on Dines' body apparently caused by three bullets, instead of one as previously reported.

Improvement in Dines' memory embracing his admission to Justice J. Walter Hanby that he was drunk at the time of the shooting.

Dines' admission that he was in quite a rage at Greer's insistence on Miss Normand leaving the Dines' apartment for home.

Saw Miss Normand.

Dines' testimony that Miss Normand was in the room with him when Greer arrived and for some time afterwards, and the evidence of Miss Edna Purviance that from the bathroom door she saw Miss Normand entering the bedroom from the living room, where

Dines and Greer were, immediately after the shooting.

(Miss Normand has maintained that she was not in the room at the time of the shooting.)

Of the four who admitted they were at the Dines apartment three were in court today, Dines, Greer and Miss Purviance, film actress.

Miss Normand is in the east.

Dines related a consecutive series of events from the time Greer knocked at the door up to the time the shots were fired.

Says He Was Drinking.

At objection of the defence he was not permitted to answer the question, "did Miss Normand shoot you?" He was allowed to say Miss Purviance did not, and he was certain that he had not shot himself.

To the court's question as to whether he was under the influence of liquor, he said "yes," explaining that he had been out all the night before and had been drinking all that day.

Miss Purviance, he said, had been with him in the apartment all day. Miss Normand had been there between one and a half and two hours prior to the shooting.

Movie Star Mentioned In
Los Angeles Shooting Case



MABEL NORMAND.

K. OF C. MEMBERS
PLAY BADMINTON

Tournament Started Last Evening—Keen Interest Manifested in Game.

Badminton is increasing in popularity in this city. The Knights of Columbus have installed two courts in their large auditorium and have started a tournament for their members. Seventeen teams entered and in the preliminary match last evening Bernard McCarthy and George Murphy won from Martin O'Leary and Dr. A. J. Coughlan, 15-10, 15-6.

The first tournament to be held under the auspices of the Knights is confined to doubles and the interest manifested not only by the participants, but the entire membership augurs well for future endeavors in this line.

Play will be continued Friday evening and the teams scheduled to compete will comprise the following:

George Gallagher and Charles Meredith vs. Daniel Morrison and F. X. Jennings.

Wm. George and T. C. Olive vs. Wm. Ryan and Dr. J. B. Gosnell.

Wm. Maher and J. J. Jennings vs. P. S. Blanchard and B. G. Enright.

Alfred Kane and Bernard Ryan vs. R. French and Joseph Corkery.

HEALTH PAGEANT
TO BE PRESENTED

An interesting pageant of health is to be given in St. John under the auspices of the Junior Red Cross and Miss Eleanor Wheeler, of Newton, Mass., is coming to take the part of Brother Brown.

Miss Wheeler's character is a plebeian well known in St. John in the older days. Her grandmother was Mrs.

Letitia Simons who taught music in Mrs. Hunt's boarding school that was very much the fashion in those days. Mrs. Wheeler made her first appearance on a public stage as a child of four when she took part in an entertainment at the Mechanics' Institute. To go further back Miss Wheeler's great-grandfather, Mr. Aftew, was instrumental in organizing a musical society in connection with the Mechanics' Institute. A provincial tour is being arranged for her and she will go on from St. John to Sussex, Dorchester, Chatham and Fredericton as the first stopping places in her itinerary.

Relief Came After
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Mrs. John McRae is Very Satisfied With Dodd's Kidney Pills.

She Had Suffered for Three Years and Found Relief in Dodd's Kidney Pills.

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"I have suffered from my kidneys for three years. I sent for some Dodd's Kidney Pills. They have helped me so much that I intend taking them again any time my kidneys pain me. I only used two boxes, and I have not been troubled since."

ECHOES OF THE STORM

The recent snowstorm was described as the worst Richibucto has experienced for seventeen years. The drifts were ten to twelve feet deep, and the place was without mail from Wednesday till Sunday. In the country around Amherst drifts were ten to fifteen feet deep and mail roads were closed four days.

MRS. W. W. MAXWELL

The death occurred at South Devon Tuesday night of Mrs. Jennie Maxwell, wife of Waldron W. Maxwell. She is survived by her husband; one stepson, Warren Maxwell, of New York; two brothers, William and Alexander Sherman, and one sister, Mrs. William McElwain, all of Marysville.

CARROLL OPERA PLAYERS

THIS WEEK
DORRIT KELTON
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Thank You.

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What's Your Husband Doing?
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BOITO'S OPERA TO
BE PRODUCED SOON

"Nerone" Likely to be Success, Though Public Will be Judge.

"Nerone," the opera which Arrigo Boito is said to have left behind him in a condition similar to that in which Franz Schubert bequeathed the "Unfinished Symphony" to posterity, will be brought out this spring, according to reported arrangements. Milan and Rome are the places where the long-expected piece will be staged, and those cities will doubtless wear the time being a decided air of national festivity. The "Nerone" will have a considerable success seems as certain as anything about an untried musical composition can be. Strangely, the work has received no named praise, though it must have been read in manuscript by many persons whose opinion would be listened to. Perhaps it was Boito's desire that first judgment should come from the quarter out of which final determination of value proceeds—the public.

But to regard to the work now in preparation at La Scala Opera House in the light of "Mefistofele" written in the sixties and revised in the seventies, a point or two may safely be made. The really remarkable thing about the Boito of record is his refusal either to follow the Italian methods or to borrow from the German and the French ones that used to be in vogue. For in "Mefistofele" he essentially disregards the leading alike of Verdi, Wagner, and of Meyerbeer. Indeed, he may be said to be a follower of the nineteenth century innovators. He may even be considered as rather ignoring the experimentalism of 200 years and making a starting point in the Italian opera writers of the beginning of the seventeenth century; as going back, in fine, from Verdi to Monteverdi.

Granted that he takes his "Mefistofele" text from a drama of Goethe's, which is chiefly Gothic in subject, he nevertheless makes as far as may be, that sentimentalism of treatment which Gluck and Mozart originally exploited and which composers of nearly all European schools after them adopted without question. His hero may fairly be described as the vocal descendant of Monteverdi's "Orfeo." To hear Dr. Paus, in the study, meditating on the pleasures he will find when he moves among men as a cavalier, is almost the same thing as to hear Goethe's hero, the abode of Plato, felicitating himself on the delight he will experience when he reaches the upper world with Eurydice. If, then, Boito, in his new opera, discloses a post-Renaissance severity of melodic outline and serenity of harmonic mood, he may with good reason be supposed to do so in his unknown and untried one. And should that be the case, the production of "Nerone," under the direction of Arturo Toscanini, may be imagined as a starting point to realize the more fully than ever before how deep the foundation of their music rest in history.

Vancouver And The
Canadians Tonight

Montreal, March 20.—Canadians, National Hockey League champions, and Vancouver Maroons, Pacific Coast League title holders, will clash here this evening for the second game of the Stanley Cup play-off. The fixture will be played under western rules, which should be an advantage to the western team, as the Stanley Cup are not familiar with the fine points of western play.

A victory for the Habitués tonight will give them the right to meet Calgary on Saturday night in the second stage of the series for the cup, as they defeated the Maroons on Tuesday night by the score of 9 to 2. Should Vancouver take the game these two teams will meet again on Saturday night to decide who shall meet the Tigers on Monday night.

THE SOUTH BAY BRIDGE

Reply of the Minister of Public Works in the Legislature to notice of enquiry No. 23, for Wednesday, March 19th, 1924, by Mr. Taylor, was as follows:

Q. Were tenders originally called for in connection with reconstruction of South Bay Bridge, St. John county, 1922?

A. Yes, tenders were called for June 7th, 1922.

Q. If so, what was the amount of each tender and why were the tenders called in?

A. No tenders received owing to call for tenders being cancelled by order of the Minister of Public Works May 20th, 1922.

Q. What was the chief engineer's estimate of the cost?

A. The chief engineer's estimate was ever submitted.

Q. How much did the bridge cost?

A. \$43,643.24.

SENTENCED FOR THEFT.

Harry Stratton and Allan Dower, who appeared before Magistrate Steeves in the Moncton police court Monday, charged with theft of a quantity of cigarettes, cigars and tobacco from the wholesale warehouse of Baird & Peters, Luts street, were again brought before the magistrate Tuesday morning and pleaded guilty. The case against Edward Gillespie, charged with the same offence, came up, and all three were adjourned until yesterday, when Gillespie was found guilty and sentenced to eighteen months in jail. Gillespie was before the court two years ago on a charge of stealing four bales of cloth from a C. N. R. car. Sentence was then suspended for two years, the period ending on March 9. Stratton and Dower were given two years suspended sentence.

FAILED TO REACH HOME

The Moncton police have been asked to be on the lookout for a Sumner-side young woman who is reported to have left St. John for the island on March 8, but had not arrived home. Her people are anxious as to her whereabouts.

FLAGLOR RESIGNS
AS POSTMASTER

Has Been in Service 54 Years—Alex. Thompson Will Fill Post.

It was announced last night that Postmaster J. S. Flaglor had applied for extended leave with superannuation to follow and that, commencing from March 24, Alexander Thompson, present post office inspector, would take on the duties of postmaster in St. John. The announcement will be received with great regret by the public and especially by the wide circle of Mr. Flaglor's friends. Mr. Flaglor has been in the postal service at St. John for 54 years and has fulfilled his varying duties to the complete satisfaction of the public and with the most of competence. He knows the postal business from A to Z, and has had an active part in the inauguration of every new branch of the service. He since he joined the local staff at a time when it numbered just 14. It is probable that superannuation will take effect in October and Mr. Flaglor may justly claim the benefits of superannuation since for thirty-five years he paid into the superannuation fund, and ceased paying seventeen years ago.

Former Postmasters.

Mr. Flaglor was appointed postmaster in August, 1921, succeeding Edward Sears and has the longest record of service of any member on staff. When Mr. Flaglor entered the service in 1870 the post office was located in the Walker Building in Canterbury street between Church and Princess streets and it now is housed in the spacious building in Prince William street which is among the finest structures in the city. Of the original staff at the time when Mr. Flaglor joined it only two others survive, Dr. H. Waterbury and M. J. Potter, who now resides at Hampton.

The following six men had held the office of postmaster before Mr. Flaglor entered the service: John Howe, Senator J. V. Ellis, Stephen J. King, Edward Willis, T. B. Hamilton and Edward Sears. The assistant postmasters during the same time were James Woodrow, M. J. Potter and Mr. Flaglor himself. The post office inspectors during that time have been John MacMillan, S. J. King, Dr. N. R. Coulter and H. W. Woods, whose appointment was recently confirmed.

The staff of the local post office in 1870 consisted of an office keeper, a box collector and 12 supervisory and clerical members. In 1922 the staff consisted of eight porters, 44 letter carriers, 67 clerical and nine supervisory members of the staff. The revenue in those 52 years increased from \$22,000 to \$220,290.19.

In wartime when postal authorities were driven nearly to distraction in their endeavors to meet the requirements of army postal regulations the service from St. John received a special measure of praise and the Army authorities wrote that they could not mention any particular in which it could be improved. Mr. Flaglor was at that time superintendent and assistant postmaster and had arranged the special methods of sorting that were followed in St. John.

There is no department of postal services in this district in which Mr. Flaglor has not served an apprenticeship and his knowledge of the work made him doubly efficient in the fulfillment of his duties as postmaster. During the time of the war censorship, when things were most strenuous, Mr. Flaglor was in charge of that work which so far as the public was concerned necessitated much inconvenience and Mr. Flaglor reduced the trouble to a minimum.

Alexander Thompson who is to take over Mr. Flaglor's duties and who will be acting postmaster, will still retain his rank as post office inspector. Mr. Thompson has been in the postal service here since Sept. 6, 1871, when John J. Ellis was postmaster. He has since that time acted as postmaster in Chatham, Newcastle, Sussex, St. Andrews and other places, and during his early days as postmaster he covered nearly every part of New Brunswick on a bicycle, having ridden between 6,000 and 7,000 miles. He has established most of the rural routes in New Brunswick. He has an army of friends here and throughout the province.

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EDINBURGH IS
TRIFLE SHOCKED

London, March 19.—The prediction that a miner, James Brown, Labor M. P., will be appointed as the next Lord High Commissioner of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland has shocked the good people of Edinburgh.

150,000 NEW REDS
Moscow.—More than 150,000 applications for membership in the Communist party have been received here in the campaign for 100,000 new members. Party leaders, now expect to start a campaign for 1,000,000 new members, admitting only proletarian workmen and peasants.

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TO STUDY NURSING

Miss Marie Gagnon, daughter of Chief Game Warden and Mrs. Gagnon, and Miss Evelyn Murphy, daughter of Mrs. E. A. Murphy of Fredericton leave the last of March for Brooklyn, N. Y., where they will enter St. Mary's Hospital to train for nurses.

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Dynamite Smuggling
Gains In Philippines

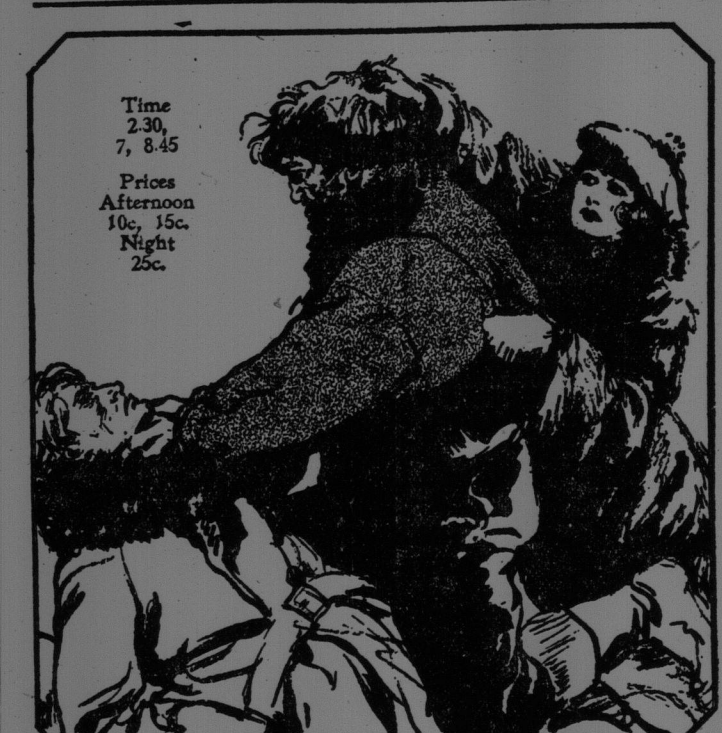
Manila, Feb. 14.—(By Mail).—Smuggling of dynamite from British North Borneo into the Sulu archipelago is increasing despite the efforts of the Philippines customs authorities. The dynamite is chiefly used by the Moros to kill fish in the waters of the southern islands, although the practice has been prohibited by law for many years.

The Moros, who are familiar with all the small coves and harbors, are able to evade the customs authorities who have only a limited patrol service in that region. In their fast vintas (native sailboats) the Moros are able to load their cargoes of dynamite, and frequently a shipment of opium, on the Borneo coast and under cover of darkness slip across to one of the small islands in the Sulu group, only a few miles away.

Only in rare instances are these smugglers caught, customs officials say.

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