

GUARDS LEAVE HOUSTON FLAT

Watch for James F. Callahan Ends With Invitation to Tea.

DEPUTIES STAY OUT

Refuse Offer of Host After 40-Hour Patrol Around Building.

"Oh, boys!" came a call from the front porch of No. 400 Grand street. "Come on in and look the place over." Three of the mysterious, overcoated men who had been watching the place for 40 hours, frightening delivery men and delighting the neighborhood, gazed suspiciously.

"Whaddye mean? Can we come in an' see if he's there?"

"Sure thing," Harvey A. Houston replied. "Didn't I invite you to tea at noon today?"

He was properly aggrieved; a hospitable man forgotten by his guests.

"Well," said one of the bundled up wretches, "if that's the case I guess the good-ding-dong slicker's got away all right. We might as well quit."

Watch for Callahan Ends,

And so, at noon yesterday, the watch ended. When invited to enter the apartment where they thought the Idaho millionaire had been trapped, the deputy sheriffs who had been trying to serve civil papers on Callahan concluded that the bird had flown.

Callahan's arrival in Spokane after evasion of the guards was announced Saturday night, but H. H. Parsons, attorney for the opposition, and Sheriff J. T. Green decided to take no chances. They maintained the guard all night.

\$200,000 Suit Filed Here.

They wanted to serve on the Wallace millionaire summons in a \$200,000 alienation of affection suit brought against him here Friday afternoon by Clifford Merritt, of Wallace. Merritt alleges that Callahan offered Mrs. Merritt, now Mrs. Callahan, "more than a million dollars" to leave her husband in 1914. She did so and later married the millionaire, who now is seeking a divorce from her.

Followed to Houston Home.

The suit was filed here at 4:30 Friday afternoon. At the time Callahan was in the Florence hotel. Shortly afterward he went to the Houston home for dinner. The officers heard of it and went there with the summons. They were refused admittance and immediately set guards about the place.

Did He Fool Officers?

Callahan says that he was there at the time and that he escaped later in the evening by walking out of the back door while Attorney E. C. Mulrony was talking with the guards at the front of the house.

The sheriff does not believe this. He says that Callahan must have left before the deputies arrived; that the guard was not relaxed for a moment. At any rate, Callahan got out, went to the Union block for the night, and in the morning took an automobile to Evano, where he caught a westbound train, arriving in Spokane early Saturday evening. Unless he returns to Montana he cannot be served with the summons.

Houston Disappointed.

"I'm never going to give another party," said Harvey Houston last night. "We told the deputies Saturday morning that we would let them in at noon today, and I had planned a party. No one came."

"I don't know when or how Mr. Callahan left. He was here for dinner Friday and left shortly after without saying goodbye. That's all I know."

RE-EDUCATE FRENCH CRIPPLES IS PLAN

U. S. Red Cross Secures Land for Purpose.

San Francisco, Feb. 17.—A 500-acre farm near Tours, France, has been obtained by the American Red Cross for the re-education of crippled and mutilated French soldiers, according to a telegram received from Washington today by Marshall Hale, manager of the Pacific division of the American Red Cross.

Modern electric training work shops have been installed at the national professional institute for war cripples at Saint Maurice, France, by the Red Cross, the telegram stated. Other plans for training the soldiers for an occupation that shall provide for his injuries were also being outlined in France, according to the telegram.

The telegram stated that industrial draughting and designing, the making of surgical instruments, tool making and watch making offered great appeal to war-maimed men.

AUSTRIA WILL NOT

Amsterdam, Feb. 17.—A dispatch from Vienna to the Handelsblad says it has been learned that Austria intends to give her previous assurance that they will not assent to the sovereignty of Rumania but will leave a solution of dynamic questions to the Rumanians themselves.

The Rumanians, the dispatch adds, will then declare their readiness to cede the Dobruja to Bulgaria, provided the central powers grant Rumania benevolent support in the Bessarabia question.

DON'T FORGET THIS.

"Go back to the simple life, be contented with simple food, simple pleasures, simple clothes. Work hard, pray hard, play hard. Work, eat, recreate and sleep. Do it all courageously. We have a victory to win."—Herbert Hoover.

Stung Thief Robs Man in Room at Florence Hotel.

That a robber walked out of his room, down the stairs and through the lobby of the Florence hotel to safety was the complaint made to the police last night by a man giving his name as A. Lattine.

Lattine, who admitted that he had taken "a drink, too many," called the police station from the lobby of the Florence and asked for an officer. He told Officer Peter McDonald, that he had taken a stranger up to his room in the Florence for a chat, never suspecting any evil. The man, he said, excused himself and walked out with a \$20 bill which had been lying on Lattine's table.

The man said he could not identify the robber, but that one of the bellboys in the Florence hotel could. The thief, however, could not be found.

REED TO LECTURE HERE FOR HOOVER

Member of Foreign Mission Coming March 8.

Dan A. Reed, member of a special mission which has just returned from a two months' visit to England and France for the United States food administration, will lecture in Missoula on March 8, according to word received here from the office of the Federal food administration at Bozeman.

The lecture will be of more than usual interest to Missoula people since it will be the first appearance in the west of a lecturer who will give an official view of the food situation. Besides telling of the actual food conditions on the European continent, Mr. Reed will give some interesting side lights on the great struggle going on "over there."

Mr. Reed is a Cornell graduate, an attorney and an expert in the work of community betterment. He is a powerful speaker and the sort of man who carefully studies his subject before talking about it. Mr. Reed visited the English, French and American trenches in France and conferred with the British and French food controllers.

Mr. Reed was one of a party of six who made the trip of official inspection to Europe. The men were under fire for two days on the British front. Later they visited, under fire, the devastated regions of Soissons, Rheims and Verdun. While at the French front they visited the sector in which the first of these Americans were killed. By the graves of these Americans they heard a clergyman go through his services while the shells whistled overhead.

Body Anaconda Lieutenant Recovered From Willamette

Portland, Ore., Feb. 17.—Grapplers today recovered the body of Lieutenant C. Kremer Tuohy from the Willamette river, after a search of six days. Lieutenant Tuohy, who was serving in the United States army signal corps and was stationed at Vancouver, Wash., attended a houseboat party here Saturday night, February 9. In the early morning hours he left the cabin of the houseboat and went on deck. He was not seen again, indications being that he accidentally stepped overboard and was drowned. His home was at Anaconda, Mont.

Memorial Services Held for Victims of Tuscania

New York, Feb. 17.—Memorial services for the American soldiers and British sailors who lost their lives when the transport Tuscania was torpedoed were held here today. Telegrams were received from many leading men, including Secretary of the Navy Daniels and Earl Reading, British high commissioner and special ambassador to the United States.

TAPPING OF WIRES PROVOKES SAMMEES

Take Steps to Stop Huns "Listening in" Practice.

With the American Army in France, Feb. 17.—By the Associated Press.—Places where the Germans have been tapping the American telephone lines at the front have been taken to prevent these occurrences happening again. Insulation has been found scraped off wires at a certain number of places where the enemy has been listening in.

One enemy wire actually was found attached to an American wire and running out across No Man's land. Just how this was accomplished is not permitted to disclose, although among the men there is talk of "spy huts."

This tapping of wires at times caused considerable temporary inconvenience, fictitious names being used over the telephone lines for places and offices. "American wires frequently have been connected in some way with those of the enemy and on one occasion an American officer is said to have talked to a German in a listening post when he started to use the telephone. The German made a few terse remarks and then the connection was broken.

"Bird of Paradise" Coming With New and Better Luana



Marion Hutchins as Luana in "The Bird of Paradise."

Oliver Morosco's ever popular "The Bird of Paradise," which comes to the Missoula theater Wednesday, returns this season with an admirable cast of players and an entirely new production.

"The Bird of Paradise" unfolds a remarkable era in theatrical history. It has been in active service for forty seasons and during that period forty weeks each year it has "cruised" among the major cities of these United States, visiting every part of each worth mentioning and always consistently to capacity houses.

It has achieved this record of popularity without the help of a star; without offering to its audiences the sweet blandishments of laughter ("The Bird of Paradise" is a tragedy); without reliance upon any of the theater's stock devices of salesmanship.

"It is, therefore, a source of both pride and amazement to its management, which loves its box-office receipts, but professes not to know the reason why 'the shekel continue to come in.' The business men of the theater, in fact, who appraise plays only in terms of profit and loss, have fallen into the habit of regarding 'The Bird of Paradise' as a miracle, 'past all comprehension."

One dramatic reviewer remarked recently: "The 'Bird of Paradise' is one of the greatest successes of the theater that can be explained by a dramatic critic. I am unable to give a reason why 'Peg O' My Heart' should have had such an extensive vogue; or why David Warfield can play 'The Music Master' forever; or why 'Pollyanna' has prospered; but I can read the riddle of 'The Bird of Paradise.' It has succeeded because it is one of the most fascinating plays of the last ten years, and because its fascination appeals to the romantic imagination of the American mass-mind. It has glamour and emotion and all the rich color of romance."

CHIMPANZEE IN HOTEL MAKES GOTHAM FAINT

Is "Pinched" and Hauled to Police Station.

New York, Feb. 17.—A huge chimpanzee, fashionably attired in a suit of men's evening clothes, strolled into the lobby of the Knickerbocker hotel at the dinner hour tonight. The animal behaved decorously and attracted no particular attention until a woman guest of the hotel noticed its face. She screamed. Many other women joined in the chorus.

Police reserves and a patrol wagon were called and some of the hotel employees wished to send in a fire alarm. Several policemen arrested the chimpanzee and escorted it to the patrol wagon. The driver saw its face and announced he was through for the night. A police captain then called for volunteers and several animal lovers agreed to escort the prisoner to the station house.

The wigmaker could and on the way the chimpanzee had a chill. Two or three of the volunteers fell off the wagon when he began to manifest his discomfort by shrill screams. Arrived at the police station the chimpanzee pounded the lieutenant in charge by leaping up on the desk and from there to a radiator where it perched contentedly while a police matron fainted.

Later the animal's keeper was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct. He said his pet escaped from a Broadway theater where it was on exhibition, while he was at dinner. He made an earnest plea against being ordered to take it to the men's night court and it was turned over to another keeper while the man went to court to be arraigned.

Pillaging and Shooting Make Horror of Petrograd

Petrograd, Feb. 17.—Indiscriminate shooting now is going on throughout the city both by day and by night, but usually is most general after nightfall. Pillaging followed by shooting spread last night from Voznessensky prospect past St. Isaac's cathedral to Galernaya street, where private apartments were broken into and plundered, culminating in protracted firing between the pillagers and red guards. The wounded were taken to hospitals.

The foregoing is the first direct dispatch received from Petrograd since February 6.

NEW WAR SPIRIT SHOWN AT "SING"

Great Crowd Swells Chorus of Patriotic Songs at Meeting.

YOUNGSTER CHEERED

Girl Violinist Wins Hearty Applause at Bi-Weekly Gathering.

The war has come bitterly home to western Montana within the last fortnight, but the Tuscania tragedy has not weakened Missoula's devotion to the cause. The city's patriotism is deeper and stronger than ever if the spirit with which national songs were sung yesterday at the bi-weekly Community Sing is any indication. The tremendous volume of the chorus when "The Star Spangled Banner" and "Over There" were sung was evidence of a firmer resolution to smite the Hun.

Theater Completely Filled.

Every available inch of space in the Missoula theater was occupied yesterday afternoon by men, women and children who came to enjoy the community singing. And when the orchestra struck up familiar war songs there were few silent throats in the house. If the Kaiser could have heard "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp," the war would be over tonight.

Chorus Shows Improvement. DeLoss Smith led the singing as usual, and the effect of his capable direction was discernable in the increased power of the singing. Under the leadership of the university dean the community chorus is becoming a musical organization worth going far to hear—and help.

Girl is Hit of Afternoon.

Little Mabel Olson, eight-year-old violinist of Missoula, was the hit of the afternoon. The child played two violin numbers charmingly and was loudly applauded. The university orchestra also played to vary the program, and was appreciated.

The next Community Sing will be held two weeks from yesterday in the theater.

POLICE OFFICERS FORM ASSOCIATION

Missoula Men Asked to Join National League.

Sheriff J. T. Green and Thomas Kemp, chief of police, have just received letters urging them to take steps to organize a traffic officers' association and become part of a national organization. The letters were sent by Joseph C. Wallmann, president of the California Traffic Officers' association. The California organization has been so successful in standardizing traffic laws and running down automobile thieves that a national association is now contemplated.

What Montana officers will do in regard to the movement has not been decided.

A. M. E. SOCIAL.

The Ladies' Aid society of the St. Paul A. M. E. church will give an apron and necktie social in the church parlors on Washington's birthday. In the evening a chicken dinner will be served.

Fires Two Checked Before Wind Spreads Them.

Rapid action by the fire department checked two blazes last night before the blizzard, which started at sundown, could spread the flames.

Burning ashes placed in the wind threatened the Manual Training building of the city schools early in the evening and later the firemen were called to extinguish a chimney fire at the home of Dr. J. C. Randall, 402 Beckwith.

First Ship of U. S. New Wooden Fleet Launched

A Pacific Port, Feb. 17.—In a shipyard heavily guarded, the first wooden steamship built in this district under the ownership of the United States Shipping board, was launched today. The vessel is of the Hough type and seven sister craft are under construction in the same yard. Only persons bearing invitations were admitted to see the launching.

SERVES WHITE BREAD ON A WHEATLESS DAY

Restaurateur Has State Food Boss for Customer.

Bozeman, Feb. 17.—Complaints that some of the Bozeman restaurant keepers were failing to observe the wheatless and porkless days reached Food Administrator Atkinson and he decided to personally investigate. He went to the restaurant in this city operated by K. Ligeros and bought a ham sandwich made with wheat bread. He then informed the Greek owner of his identity and read the riot act to him. The Greek is on the next draft list and claimed that he "forgot" when he sold the ham sandwich on porkless day. Mr. Atkinson said he would recommend leniency in the case to the authorities at Washington provided there were no further violations and in view of the fact that the keeper of the cafe expects to leave within a few weeks for the Camp Lewis cantonment.

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