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SANITY TEST FOR DETROIT AUTO SPEEDERS

"FATTY" ARBUCKLE COMES BACK WITH PARDON FROM HAYS

Film Magnate Announces It as Christmas Gift to Fogner Star.

SAYS HE'LL MAKE GOOD.

Roscoe Promises His Life From Now On Will Be Credit to Friends.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 20.—Roscoe "Fatty" Arbuckle to-day was given a Christmas "pardon" by Will H. Hays, movie mentor, who banished him from filmdom almost a year ago. Arbuckle was barred from the films following his acquittal of charges of manslaughter in connection with the death of Virginia Rappé.

In announcing the "pardon," Hays declared that he believed the spirit of Christmas and of Christ's teachings would serve as a guide, both for Arbuckle in his future conduct and for the public in its attitude toward him.

"This is a great human industry where belief in a man's capacity for goodness should prevail rather than the threat of punishment as a motive for right conduct," Hays remarked. "I want this spirit of goodness, instead of a spirit of punishment, to permeate the industry, and that is the reason I am reinstating Arbuckle."

"I believe he has learned his lesson—and no one can demand more than that of a man who has made a mistake. Live and let live is my rule of life. Every man, I believe, has a right to a chance to come back after he has taken to heart the lessons of his folly."

"I will play the game square with Mr. Hays and the public, if it is the last thing I ever do," declared Arbuckle when the news was carried to him. "I am grateful to those who are helping me and will prove myself worthy. I have made my mistakes, but they are behind me. I want my life hereafter to be an open book."

Joseph Schenck, Arbuckle's friend said: "Roscoe Arbuckle will go to work for me. I am glad to help in giving him a chance."

Two million dollars worth of Fatty Arbuckle's film pranks are ready to be turned loose by the Famous Players-Lasky Company, as soon as it is deemed expedient to release them, following the "pardon's" reinstatement by Will H. Hays.

SENATE IN DEADLOCK OVER SHIPPING BILL

Supporters Unable to Get Vote on Giving It Right of Way.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Futile efforts were made in the Senate today by supporters of the Administration Shipping Bill to bring to a vote the question of whether that measure should remain before the Senate in the discharge of the "Normal Agricultural Financing" measure.

NEW DAVIS CUP PLAYOFF ARRANGEMENTS

LONDON, Dec. 20. (Associated Press)—The lawn tennis tournament of the Davis Cup championships here today will be divided into two sections, known as "Americans" and "Europeans," the ultimate winners in each group playing an additional match for the cup.

Auto Speeders to Be Examined For Sanity, Detroit Judge's Order on Trials in His Court

Has Physician Ready to Make Mental Tests; If Deficient Will Be Sent to Asylum for Treatment Provided for the Insane.

DETROIT, Dec. 20.—Mental tests for automobile speeders to determine their degree of sanity were inaugurated by Judge Charles L. Bartlett in the Recorder's Court here to-day. Judge Bartlett recently set a precedent by taking drivers found guilty of speeding to the morgue to view bodies of victims of automobile accidents.

Under his new plan, which he announced just before going on the bench to-day, Judge Bartlett will remand persons adjudged guilty of violating speed laws to Dr. A. L. Jacoby, psychiatrist of his court, for mental investigation. The examination will be conducted in open court, and if Dr. Jacoby decides that those examined are mentally deficient Judge Bartlett will order them to an asylum to be treated in the same manner as other insane persons.

Persons ordered to take mental treatment will lose their operating licenses and a report of their case on a mental condition will be filed with the Secretary of State. These violators will never be permitted to renew their licenses and if ever again arrested for driving an automobile will be subject to a long term of imprisonment.

Judge Bartlett takes his authority to order mental tests on Section 3 of the Public Acts, which reads: "The court shall also have power to make provision for psychopathic investigations and examinations of persons coming before said court."

"No method is too severe to prevent death," Judge Bartlett said in outlining his mental test plan. "I believe this new method will stop thousands of accidents each year. Police Commissioner James W. Hughes has told me that under my plan of sending speeders to jail, and notwithstanding the fact that there are many thousands more automobiles on the streets this year than last year, there were 3,200 less accidents, and that reckless driving has been cut down from 59 per cent. to 59 per cent. If this is the result under my jail sentence plan, what will it be under the mental test plan?"

YOUNGSTOWN STEEL TAKES OVER BRIER HILL AS SALE IS APPROVED

Shares of Sale Announced as Four Shares of the Latter to One Share of Former.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 20.—Brier Hill Steel Company directors today approved sale of their company to the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Company on the basis of four shares of Brier Hill stock for one share of Steel and Tube stock. The combined Steel and Tube property will be the largest independent company in the country with the exception of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation. It will have a pig iron capacity of 1,500,000 tons annually and steel production of 2,200,000 tons, with facilities for making practically a full line of finished steel products.

"HITTING MITTENS" OLD LADY'S PHRASE FOR BOXING GLOVES

But Sporting Counter Clerk, Who What She Meant, and Grandson Will Get Christmas Gift.

A smiling-faced old lady with gold spectacles and a little black silk bonnet, suddenly and unexpectedly perceived that the sporting goods counter of a 24th Street department store. She certainly was bent on a very definite mission—the purchasing of a Christmas present for a grandson. She tried to explain to the puzzled clerk what she wanted, but he was unable to understand. Finally a triumphant smile came to her face as she said:

"I know what I want, hitting mittens!"

It was his turn for boxing gloves.

HOUSE MEMBERS CLAIM TO STAY OF REPRESENTATIVE SARBATZ

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—The House members today held a session in the House chamber, but the session was adjourned at the request of Representative A. J. Sarbatz, Democrat, of the 5th Illinois District.

BRUNEN JURORS WILL DECIDE FATE OF ACCUSED TO-DAY

Judge Refuses to Free Widow as State and Defense Rest.

MOHR ALIBI TESTED.

Prosecution and Defense Sum Up Testimony on Murder of Showman.

(Special From a Staff Correspondent of The Evening World.)

MOUNT HOLLY, N. J., Dec. 20.—The fate of Mrs. Doris Brunen and Harry C. Mohr, charged with the murder of Mrs. Brunen's husband, "Honest John" Brunen, may be decided by the jury this afternoon. At ten minutes before 11 o'clock Assistant Prosecutor Peacock began the first chapter of the State's summation of the case.

The defense closed its case at 2:50 o'clock and after a few witnesses were called in rebuttal Attorney Keown announced at 10:25 o'clock that he had no witnesses to call in rebuttal and moved for the discharge of Mrs. Doris Brunen on the ground that the State had failed to connect her in any way with the death of her husband, John Brunen.

Justice Kallisch asked at just what point did the State claim to have adduced evidence connecting her with the murder, to which Prosecutor Keown replied that she sent a telegram from Charlotte Prowell home to Mohr, calling him home at once. Also, on the evening of March 10, when she learned that her husband had changed his mind about going to New York, saying he was going there the following day. She remained at home instead of going to the moving picture show, as was her custom, though others in the house did leave.

The court refused to grant this motion, as it did one for the discharge of Harry Mohr. Mr. Keown maintained that the testimony of the State's witnesses had not made a case sufficiently strong for submission to a jury.

"I disagree with counsel," Justice Kallisch replied, "because I feel there are facts in this instance which the jury should consider." In his address to the jury, Mr. Keown first asked the jury to consider the prosecution Mohr had in his outburst a few days ago when Hazel Brunen implied that Mrs. Mohr, the defendant's mother, might have been concerned in the killing of Brunen.

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Dollar Princess and Husband Arrive Here for Extended Stay



Anastasia, Homesick for U. S., and Christopher of Greece, Democratic Couple.

Princess Anastasia of Greece, suffering a little from a cold in her head but with the light of the home-comer in her eyes, arrived on the Olympic to-day with her husband, Prince Christopher, brother of ex-king Constantine—the double "ex" meaning that he has abdicated twice.

They are a democratic pair, these royalties, and they made it plain to the ship news reporters that they have no more ambition to run the Greek nation than they have to run a Greek fruit store in Delancey Street.

The Princess admitted that the strongest of the motives that brought her to America was just plain homesickness. She wanted to see again the country in which she used to be known as Mrs. William B. Lewis, wife of "the impaler king." And she's going to "visit" home and there with old friends and relatives for two months or more.

As for the Prince—who looks like a London chap—he won't get around with his wife from house to house through all the visiting. His plan is to see America, or at least a big part of it. After a while, when he is tired of traveling, he will join his wife at Palm Beach.

The pair will be at the Hotel Ambassador for a day or two. Then will go to the home of Henderson Green, brother-in-law of the Princess, at Montclair, N. J., to spend Christmas, after which the Prince will buy a

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U. S. ROBBED OF \$1,000,000 AT BROOKLYN NAVAL BASE; 22 CIVIL EMPLOYEES IN JAIL

Ninety Outside Alleged Confederates in Gigantic Swindle Also to Be Arrested—Lieut. Trainor Largely Instrumental in Capture—Huge Lot of Goods Smuggled Out.

Twenty-two civil employees of the Navy Base in South Brooklyn, between 30th and 33d Streets, were arrested and locked up early to-day by agents of the Department of Justice and Detective Francis Trainor of the New York Police Department as the result of thefts of Government property said to be valued at more than \$1,000,000. One more arrest of a civil employee will be made to-day, and fully ninety more men outside the base, including junkmen and contractors, also will be taken into custody in two or three days.

The Navy Base is a depot for equipment, sustenance and other supplies for all sorts of naval outfits, such as warships, navy yards, naval hospitals and reservations. It handles property worth several millions of dollars annually. Thefts of the property are said to have been going on for nearly three years and the investigation which resulted in the wholesale arrests was started about three months ago.

Chief William J. Burns of the Department of Justice was asked for help and ordered Edward J. Brennan, head of the New York branch of the bureau, to put operators at the service of the navy people. Brennan consulted Police Commissioner Enright and borrowed the services of Lieut. Trainor.

Under the direction of Federal Agents Robert Walsh and Ralph Navarro and Lieut. Trainor, men were put into the warehouses as checkers, laborers, watchmen and bookkeepers. These detectives found themselves watched narrowly until they took advantage of opportunities obviously put in their way of stealing small articles such as wrist watches and marine glasses. Not until they actually concealed these articles and pretended to steal them were they able to get any evidence against the men now in custody.

They then learned that Government property was being stolen by the truckload, including great boxes of clothing, paint by the barrel, crates of glass and commercial alcohol by the gallon. Instances were found in which waste and salvaged material bought by contractors was replaced by new goods or by other merchandise than that mentioned in the contract; in other cases twice the quantity of actual salvaged stuff contracted for was delivered.

Investigation revealed that the group responsible for the thefts of Government property worked openly. The method was this: A requisition would come, say from the Navy Yard, for supplies listed to be worth \$7,000. The foreman of the department which received it would write in pencil over the ink figures increasing the amount by from \$8,000 to \$10,000.

The goods ordered by the Navy Yard would be loaded on a truck or trailer and sent out, whereupon \$5,000 or \$10,000 worth of other supplies would be set aside and smuggled out of the base by chauffeurs who were members of the group, after which the pencilled figures would be erased, leaving the original requisition as it was received at the base.

Capt. Hicks, in command of the base, and his assistants, Capt. F. R. Trainor and Lieut. Trainor, became certain about three months ago that vast discrepancies were occurring in the base and launched a secret investigation, but the Navy Intelligence men were unable to uncover dishonesty. It was believed that the naval detectives who were known to the members of the group doing the stealing, and for this reason little credit is given to the investigation.

Then Capt. Hicks requested his suspicions to the Navy Department at Washington and Chief Burns was

TRAFFIC JAMMED AT PEAK OF RUSH IN BOTH SUBWAYS

East and West Side Southbound I. R. T. Trains Held Up by Motor Troubles.

Southbound traffic on both East and West Side subways was held up at the peak of the morning rush this morning when a short circuit through a shoe beam on a Seventh Avenue express put one train out of commission at the 79th Street Station and electrical trouble disabled one southbound east side express and air brake trouble another at the Grand Central Station. There were the usual delay to thousands and the resultant crush at the stations.

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FALSE SCHOOL ALARM, SMALL BOY NEAR BOX

Run Away When Firemen Tried to Find Him in Basement.

A battalion of firemen made a swift and needless rush to Public School No. 38 at No. 239 East 83rd Street at 12:12 o'clock this afternoon in response to an "antidote" alarm. Down the corridor as they entered the building they saw a small boy standing in front of the alarm watching it closely. When he looked up and saw the firemen he ran down into the basement and they could not find him again.

There was no fire and the firemen turned their faces back to the wagon and moved away.

BAKER APPEARS BEFORE WAR FRAUD GRAND JURY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Newton D. Baker, who was secretary of War in President Wilson's war-time Cabinet, appeared today before the Special Federal grand jury which is investigating the war frauds.

NEW PRESIDENT OF POLAND ELECTED

BRITAIN, Dec. 20. (Associated Press)—Ignace Paderewski, the Polish composer, has been elected President of Poland by the National Assembly, according to a dispatch from Warsaw.

This Fire Story Is the Cat's Meow; Gave Fire Alarm, Saved Baby

So Were Brev of Factory Girls Next Door, Observer From Headquarters Reports.

Here's a real story of the cat's meow.

Mrs. Jane Blumhach, thirty-six, of ample physique, occupies the basement and ground floor of No. 212 West 11th Street. She left her daughter Dorothy, six, in the basement to-day while she was printing upstairs with cretonne for Christmas. She heard Dorothy weeping as she played at kindergarten. Then for awhile silence reigned and then there came to her ears an unspeakable "Meow."

Down the stairs she rushed to find her eldest Blumhach. She turned her hands trying to beat the flames, then grabbed the baby and ran into the kitchen.

An alarm was given, the firemen came and everything on the fire house was put out with the exception of Mrs. Blumhach's room. It was a very narrow passage and the firemen were unable to get into the room. The fire was extinguished by the firemen.

Next door is the manufacturing plant of Duggett & Rowland. It is a house of many windows and every window was crowded with pretty girls, blondes and brunettes, some thin, some fat—not too fat, Max Fisher of headquarters declared, and added that they were the cat's meow.

But the cat's meow that saved the baby from the flames was not heard. The cat was so near the baby that she was able to give an alarm was also able to give an alarm when he sees the danger. He had tasted fire and smoke and knew of the burning power of a fire.

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