

Loved Kennedy, Minister's Slayer, Legally Dead, Mrs. Obenchain Says on Stand

Declarer Murdered Man Induced Her to Leave Her Husband Within a Month of Her Marriage in 1919

Prosecutor Has Surprise Asks if She Had Married Victim 'on the High Seas'; Calls Burch Simply Friend

LOS ANGELES, March 10.—Mrs. Madeline Obenchain, on trial charged with murdering J. Belmont Kennedy, the man she swore she loved, matched wits today with Deputy District Attorney Asa Keyes in an all-day cross-examination.

Lured From Her Husband 'My love is yours. It won't be long until we can be together.' 'What did you mean by that?' Keyes asked.

Mr. Keyes said he had induced her to leave her husband. She said she never loved Burch and believed he never loved her. She declared Kennedy induced her to leave Mr. Obenchain within a month of her marriage.

Mr. Keyes read from a letter dated in January, 1919, sent by Mrs. Obenchain to Kennedy, in which was the following passage: 'I loved from her husband'.

Mr. Keyes sprang a surprise by asking Mrs. Obenchain if she had ever been married to Kennedy 'on the high seas.' After a long pause she replied, 'Yes.' Mr. Keyes did not indicate what, if anything, was behind the question.

Questioned concerning Burch, Mrs. Obenchain repeated that he was simply a friend she had known since they had attended college, and that she never had any agreement with him to take the life of Kennedy.

The cross-examination had not been completed when court adjourned until Monday. Mr. Obenchain about the shooting of Kennedy in Beverly Glen on the night of August 5.

Loved Kennedy When Married Mrs. Obenchain stepped from the witness stand her appearance gave evidence of the strain she had experienced. In answering questions she hesitated frequently, in contrast to the ready answers she gave in direct examination yesterday.

The prosecution opened its cross-examination at the time she first met Kennedy in 1917, in Los Angeles. She testified to his making love to her early in their acquaintance, and said that she had cared for her he was under obligations to another, and that an engagement was made on August 31, 1918, she said, and they were together frequently.

She admitted she was in love with Kennedy when she married Obenchain on January 1, 1919. Shortly after her marriage, she said, Kennedy telephoned her, telling her he was willing to break away from his parents and marry her.

It was Kennedy, she said, who suggested that she get an annulment of her marriage, this plan being abandoned later and a divorce obtained. Mrs. Obenchain testified that she had no recollection of being in the District Attorney's office on August 6, 1921, the day following the killing.

She said she could not recall making a statement to officers, but would not deny making one. Asked when it was that she lost her recollection of events on the night of the killing, she replied: 'When I touched Belmont.' She testified yesterday that she touched him after the shooting occurred.

Military Attaches Withdrawn Seven Called Home Under Program of Economy WASHINGTON, March 10.—Army orders to-day showed the withdrawals of seven officers from their posts as military attaches in various European or Latin-American countries.

Minister's Slayer, Legally Dead, Resuscitated by Jersey Law

RENTON, N. J., March 10.—Both houses of the New Jersey Legislature passed a bill to-day introduced by Senator Allen, of Salem County, which in effect aims legally to resuscitate a legally dead murderer.

For fourteen years Archibald Heron, of Middlesex County, convicted murderer of the Rev. S. B. D. Prickett, of Metuchen, and sentenced to death for his crime, has lived constantly in the shadow of the death chair. On the execution of his counsel that if Heron was not insane at the time he killed the minister he became insane immediately afterwards, and that the state could not execute a sane man, the execution was on several occasions stayed and ultimately the final date set for his execution passed.

His lawyer then delayed Heron's execution on the claim that his client was legally dead. The matter was referred to Attorney General McCran, who had the Allen bill drawn.

The bill provides that if upon examination it is found that Heron is insane he will be transferred from prison to the State Insane Hospital. If he later recovers, he will be resuscitated. If, however, upon examination he is found to be sane he will be resuscitated to death at once and executed. It is believed that Governor Edwards will sign the bill.

The Rev. Prickett was a police recorder at Metuchen. Heron was arrested before him on a charge of drunkenness and was fined \$10. Heron went to Prickett's home the next day and shot him as he emerged from the house.

Dr. Walter Franklin Price, the "spook" seeker from New York, had not found the Antigonish ghost up to a late hour to-night at the home of Alex MacDonald.

Mrs. Macdonald returned to the "haunted" house to-day and the household was furnished and arranged as at the time the family was frightened away by the mysterious fires. The professor beamed brightly through his horn bow spectacles when the stage was all properly set.

It was announced yesterday that the women's division, which originally hoped to reach \$100,000 to the campaign, had passed the \$175,000 mark, under the leadership of Mrs. Henry Moskowitz, Henry M. Toch, of the chemicals, oils, paints team, reported his outfit as the trend setter to pass its quota. With allotment of \$40,000 they had raised nearly \$45,000. The young men's division went on record as the first team to reach 100 per cent over its quota, through the teams representing the fur industry and the physicians were close behind. The East Side team reported a big step forward, with a total to date of nearly \$75,000.

Acting Chairman Bressler received a letter from James Reeves stating that 10 per cent of the gross receipts of the Daniel Reeves chain stores in Manhattan and the Bronx could be set aside for the fund March 14. Arthur Grize had sent in his check for \$500. Another check for \$100 was received from Martin Conboy, former director of the draft. Many small checks and remittances in a day's receipts, collections from employers and workers.

Contributions of \$1,000 or over announced yesterday follow: Independent Order of Sons of Israel, \$15,000; Otto H. Kahn, \$5,000; Elkan Naumburg, \$3,000; Morris Weinberg, \$2,500; Casimir Stralem, \$2,000; Ohad Shalom Congregation (Eastern Parkway), \$1,800; Felder, Chover and Co., \$1,000; Aaron Levy, \$1,000; Clarence H. Mackay, \$1,000; Miriam Gottlieb Aid Society, \$1,000, and the New York Trust Company, \$1,000.

Irene Bordoni Declares She Supports Husband Pays Rent and Food Bills for Ray Goetz, Who Is Jobless and Owes Her \$35,000

Irene Bordoni, musical comedy star and wife of E. Ray Goetz, composer, testified in City Court yesterday for some time she has been the provider for the family and household, and that her husband owes her \$35,000. The testimony of Miss Bordoni, corroborative of that given by Goetz, was in connection with a \$1,900 judgment obtained by Jack Welsh, stage manager of "Hitchy Koo," against Raymond Hitchcock and Goetz, who owned the production. Hitchcock paid \$1,000 of the amount due, and Welsh is trying to collect the \$900 due from Goetz. Supplementary proceedings brought Goetz and Miss Bordoni to court yesterday.

Goetz testified that he had not worked in some time and that his wife defrayed the expenses of their household. Miss Bordoni substantiated her husband's story and elaborated on it. She said she paid the rent of their apartment, amounting to \$288 a month; that she paid two payments \$100 a month each, and that the table cost her \$100 a week. She testified on first-hand information that Goetz has no money, that he has not had a job for a year and that he owes her \$35,000. Asked about Goetz's interest in "Hitchy Koo," in which she appeared and which was advertised, "E. Ray Goetz presents Irene Bordoni," the star testified that her husband has no interest in the company and merely assisted her with regard to engaging a company and in making her contract.

Vandals Wreck Church; Threaten Fresh Mischief Honor Roll, With Names of Boys Who Served in War, Is Destroyed

The Methodist Episcopal Church of New Dover, N. J., was entered by vandals on Thursday night and the interior of the office was almost wrecked. A note which was left said: "This trip wasn't worth while. Next time we will take the bell. We will be in church on Sunday morning and defy any one to pick us out." When the sexton opened the church yesterday morning for a funeral service he found the Bible stand thrown down, two Bibles missing, the pastor's chair broken, the coal stove wrecked and a large kerosene lamp smashed. The door leading to the balcony had been jimmied and the records of the Sunday school thrown about and the honor roll, containing the names of the boys of the church who served in the late war, destroyed. Part of one of the Bibles was found in the graveyard which adjoins the church. On the flyleaf was written, "What were we up this will never have any good luck."

Bishop Manning Calls for All to Uphold Dry Law

Life of Nation Depends on Obedience to Statutes, He Tells Cathedral Audience When Asked for Opinion

No Sin in Wine and Beer Opposes Extremists' Views, But Sees Great Practical Benefits in Prohibition

Bishop William T. Manning, in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine yesterday afternoon, called upon the Episcopal clergy and the people, whatever their views about prohibition, and whatever their religion, to stand with their whole strength for the principle of respect for law upon which the life of the country depended.

He had been asked to give his opinion as to whether it was the duty of the people to obey the prohibition laws. He did so immediately and before beginning his regular Lenten lecture. The Cathedral, despite the rain, was crowded.

"I have already spoken publicly on this subject," began the Bishop, "but I want to express my judgment upon it again, here at the Cathedral, in the most open and public manner possible. No Sin in Light Drink. 'I have never been in the company of a prohibitionist. I do not agree with the extremists who say that to drink wine or beer is a sin in itself. From actual observation in the army, however, I believe that prohibition will be of great practical and moral benefit to the life of our country. From information coming to me from many sources I believe that prohibition is working a great moral and practical benefit in the homes and conditions of life among the working people of our country as a whole.'

"But the question is not whether we believe in prohibition or not, but whether we believe in keeping the law of the land. Upon this question there is room for no two opinions. If we disapprove the prohibition laws we have the right to say so, and to work for their repeal. 'But none of us has the right to evade or disobey the law as it stands, and we cannot do this without working grave harm to our national life. The charge is made that this law is disobeyed chiefly by those whose education, wealth and position in the community give them the widest influence. If this is the case it is a matter of the utmost seriousness.'

Reverence for Law Essential The bishop then read a warning attributed to the judiciary section of the Bar Association concerning the necessity of reverence for the laws of the land by all classes if anarchy and violence were to be avoided. He continued: "As bishop of this diocese I most solemnly associate myself with those words. As true citizens we cannot take any other position. I call upon all our clergy and upon all our people whatever their views about prohibition, whatever their station in life, and whatever their religion, to stand with their whole strength for the sacred principle of respect for law upon which the life of the country depends. 'And let me add in this connection that the position of the presiding bishop of our council upon this question has been misrepresented. I have not consulted him, but I know well that Bishop Gardiner stands as strongly as I do for that principle of respect for law of which I have here spoken, and for which I call upon all our people to stand.'

First Presbyterian, of Brooklyn, Celebrates 100th Anniversary The one hundredth anniversary of the First Presbyterian Church of Brooklyn, at Henry and Charles streets, was observed in the chapel of the church last night. An informal reception was held and the Rev. Dr. L. Mason Clarke, pastor, spoke on its history. It was founded March 10, 1822, with ten members. The present membership is 1,746. The church has been housed in its present edifice for nearly seventy years. The first services were held in the district school.

Murderer Survives Many Shocks in Electric Chair Tom Slaughter Gang Member Is Victim of an Inexperienced Man at Switch

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., March 10.—James Wells, eighteen years old, negro murderer, was electrocuted at the state penitentiary after eleven unsuccessful attempts had been made by an inexperienced electrician to electrocute him. The twelfth attempt, according to witnesses, was successful.

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Sing Sing 'Housing Famine' Warden Plans to Transfer 48 to Give New Convicts Cells

Seven new arrivals at Sing Sing were without accommodation yesterday, and Warden Lewis E. Lawes sent forty-eight prisoners to Clinton prison in the Adirondacks. The seven men reached Sing Sing Thursday night and found that there were no cells available for them. Among the new arrivals Thursday night was Jeremiah H. Haggerty, former detective sergeant, who was sentenced Thursday by Judge Gibbs in Bronx County Court to a term of twenty years to life imprisonment for the killing of Joseph Lazzaro, in August, 1921.

Blair Restores Alcohol Permit Of Fleischmann

Company's Appeal From Cancellation Orders Upheld by Revenue Chief; Sale by Agencies Barred

Manufacture To Be Held Responsible for Agent in Complying With the Law

WASHINGTON, March 10.—Appeal of the Fleischmann Company, Inc. of New York, from orders of Prohibition Commissioner Haynes canceling its permits for the distilling of alcohol in connection with the manufacture of yeast at the Peckskill, N. Y., and Langdon, D. C. plants was sustained to-night by Internal Revenue Commissioner Blair. At the same time Mr. Blair upheld orders by Mr. Haynes requiring permits for the sale of alcohol by the company's agencies at Philadelphia, Scranton, Pa., Yonkers, N. Y., Brooklyn, Jersey City, Bridgeport, Conn., Cambridge, Mass., and Cincinnati.

While Mr. Blair absolved the Fleischmann company from knowledge of diversion of alcohol to illegal purposes by its agencies, he declared the agency method of distribution was in violation of Treasury regulation. "But was adopted in good faith and, according to the uncontradicted testimony of witnesses, with the full knowledge and consent of certain officials of the prohibition commission, who assigned or been transferred from that unit." He did not disclose their names.

Revocation of all the industrial alcohol permits of the Fleischmann Company and its agents was ordered Friday by Mr. Haynes after hearings in Philadelphia on charges including the diversion of alcohol to beverage purposes and the disposal of non-beverage alcohol on forged permits. Seizure of alcohol at the company's plants and agencies also was ordered. Appeal from the orders and a stay of their execution pending a rehearing held Tuesday was granted on Saturday by Mr. Blair, with the approval of Secretary Mellon.

The final decision in the case, Mr. Blair explained, enables the company, which furnishes "between 80 and 90 per cent of the total amount of yeast manufactured in the continent of North America," to continue its operations at its manufacturing plants at Peckskill and Langdon.

Alcohol in the hands of agencies of the company, he ruled, must be returned to those plants within thirty days or be subject to forfeiture to the government. The agencies, however, he said, might obtain permits for the sale of alcohol by complying with new regulations issued to-night. These make the manufacturer responsible for his agent complying with the law and cause title to alcohol to remain in the manufacturer until disposed of to a purchaser under permit.

Mr. Blair held there was no evidence that the company knew of unlawful diversion of alcohol by its agents, but that the officers of the company were negligent in inspecting the agencies and did not use due care in supervising them.

Bank Treasury Looted In Dozing Texas Town Bandits Make Clean Sweep of All Valuables and Escape in Auto

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., March 10.—Twenty thousand dollars in gold, silver and currency and \$50,000 in state and county bonds, together with jewelry with an estimated value of several thousand dollars, was stolen when five bandits robbed the New Braunfels State Bank, thirty miles north of here, this afternoon and escaped in an automobile.

Every article of any amount of value was taken. The loading of the bank took place within the space of five minutes, and no shot was fired. The little town did not know of the most daring robbery in the history of southern Texas until the three bank employees rushed out and gave the alarm. The bank is located on the public square, and the streets were occupied by the usual number of pedestrians.

Two airplanes, with newly commissioned San Antonio aerial police, "took off" with the call for help, and arrived at New Braunfels within a few minutes. Getting directions there, they took the air again in pursuit.

OMAHA, Neb., March 10.—About \$120,000 in currency was estimated as the amount of loot obtained by a thief who robbed the safe of the Union Pacific Railroad Company in the company's downtown office building early to-day.

Woman Leads Bootleg Band In Gun Battle

raid and said he was wounded by dropping a revolver in his father's butcher shop at 135 West Houston Street. Man in Motor Boat Killed George Rauch, twenty-six years old, of 154 South Fortieth Street, Brooklyn, was shot and killed last night as he was operating a motor boat alongside the French tramp steamer Imatra, lying at Pier 22, East River, by Albert Forsburg, chief engineer of the ship. The police say it was a bootlegger's quarrel. Forsburg is locked up at Police Headquarters charged with homicide. Shortly after 8 o'clock Rauch, with four others—Samuel Krinsky, of 807 Hammer Avenue, Brooklyn, and Benjamin Rapaport, of 156 West 112th Street, Manhattan—lay alongside the Imatra. According to Krinsky's story, told the police following his arrest, the motor boat trip was made in pursuance of an agreement reached earlier in the day with Chief Engineer Forsburg for the purchase of ten cases of cognac. Krinsky told Lieutenant Detective John Sullivan, who placed him under arrest, that Forsburg opened fire on the occupants of the launch, firing four shots in the dark. The shooting took place, Krinsky said, before any of the liquor for which negotiations had been made was transferred to the launch. The first shot struck Rauch, who collapsed. He died before the motor boat, traveling at high speed, could reach the foot of Montague Street. There, Krinsky said, he and Benjamin Rapaport lifted Rauch ashore and telephoned to Long Island College Hospital for an ambulance. When it arrived Rauch was dead.

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