

MISS COPE AT EASE IN BLACKMAIL CASE

Woman Accused of Plot to Extort Money From Millionaire Pleads Innocence.

CHICAGO, Dec. 6.—Members of the United States district attorney's office here today searching for further evidence against Miss Jesse E. Cope, who has been charged with attempting to bribe Government officials to aid her in securing \$50,000 from Col. Charles Alexander, of Providence, R. I., whose indictment she secured for alleged violation of the white slave act.

On the strength of an affidavit by Michael L. Igoe, assistant United States district attorney, she was taken into custody and, after a hearing before United States Commissioner Mason, was released in bonds of \$500 to appear in court at 10 o'clock tomorrow.

When arraigned before Commissioner Mason, Miss Cope, who is a comely brunette of thirty-two, did not display the least nervousness, and was apparently much at ease that she was in the room.

After the hearing a statement was given out from the district attorney's office which reads:

On the arrest of Col. Charles Alexander, at Providence, the press reports declared that both he and his attorney charged the complainant, Miss Cope, with attempted blackmail.

Although, division superintendent of the department of justice, today has written the attorney for Mr. Alexander, requesting any and all information to support this alleged charge.

Miss Cope had many conferences with Mr. Igoe, as well as with Mr. Alanough. Finally she made the bold proposition that the Government officials should obtain information through Colonel Alexander for her injured innocence.

Miss Cope explained further that out of her \$25,000 she would have to take care of her attorneys in Providence and Los Angeles. She stated that she had consulted prominent attorneys in both cities before coming to Chicago to make her complaint.

IS ON MISSION FOR KAISER



Who is in this country on important business for his nation. When the Emperor put him at the head of the colonial office in 1907 it was a great shock to the Junkers, who thought such a high position was the natural monopoly of those of noble lineage.

Shifting of German Troops Indicates Peril in Poland

LONDON, Dec. 6.—That the German position on the eastern front is serious, despite the failure of official Russian statements to bear out the unofficial reports of sweeping Slav victories in Poland, is seen in the great movements of German troops reported in Belgium.

The great battle between the Russian and German forces between the Vistula and the Warta has entered on a new phase, according to the Petrograd correspondent of the London Daily Mail.

Reinforcements Brought Up.—The Germans are making a fresh effort to reach Pletzkow on the Warsaw-Czestochowa railway. With troops brought from France and Belgium they are advancing from west to east, with their backs to the Warta.

Daughters of Confederacy Elect Mrs. Maude H. Smith

Mrs. Maude Howell Smith has been elected president of the District of Columbia Division, United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Sigma Chi Alumni Elect Thomas Ewing President

Thomas Ewing was elected president of Washington Alumni Chapter, Sigma Chi Fraternity, at a meeting at the chapter house, 333 Fifteenth street northwest, last night.

Couple Surprises Friends By Marriage in Baltimore

Friends of Irving C. Thompson, of 18 Minnesota avenue, Anacostia, and Miss A. D. Voss, 362 N street southwest, were surprised today to learn that Miss Voss is now Mrs. Thompson.

GERMANS ABANDON DRIVE UPON CALAIS

Slowly Retreat to New Defenses in Belgium as Allies Press Fighting.

(Continued from First Page.) The fighting near Metz frankly admits that a battle is on. It is believed the French lines have been advanced further than the war office has officially admitted.

Two Rings of Forts. The city is protected by inner and outer rings of forts. There are twelve in the outer ring and ten circling the city inside the first line of fortifications.

British Check Attack. The French war office now admits that the Germans have been able to occupy a portion of the village, but the British resistance was so stubborn they were able to retain possession of the western portion of the town only.

Expect Early Action on Half-Holiday Request

Whether 40,000 Federal and District Government employees will be given half-holidays on December 12 and 13, the Saturdays preceding Christmas, still is undecided.

Antwerp Masterpieces Buried in River Scheldt

LONDON, Dec. 6.—There have been many reports since the Germans invaded Belgium regarding the places to which priceless art treasures were taken for safety.

Must Relieve Austrians

"It is now the turn of the Germans to relieve the Austrians, if they can from their desperate position. For months the Austrian army has been sacrificed in the interests of the German plan of winning a crushing victory in France.

Temporarily Relieved

TEMPERATURES. The temperature today as registered at the United States Weather Bureau and Africa's.

SUN TABLE. Sun rises.....7:02 Sun sets.....4:41

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BELGIAN RELIEF IS TREMENDOUS TASK

Care of Thousands of Starving Refugees Beyond Europe's Power.

LONDON, Dec. 5.—As homeless, starving refugees from Belgium continue to arrive in England, Britain's very door the evidence of their suffering, a report received by the American Relief Commission from Theodore Waters, of the Christian Herald, of New York, clearly shows the tremendous task facing those endeavoring to relieve the stricken country.

Women Beg For Food. Scantly clad women stand shivering in the streets of Antwerp begging, or waiting for food which is given out by the Germans.

Pitiful Contrast Seen. "These women were in the shadow of a big hotel, where well-fed soldiers were drinking and making merry."

British Private Captured Machine Gun Unaided

LONDON, Dec. 5.—The Victoria Cross has been bestowed on Private George Wilson, Second Battalion, Highland Light Infantry, for "most conspicuous gallantry on September 14, near Verdun in attacking a hostile machine gun."

Kaiser Wears Toadstone Ring as Amulet of War

PARIS, Dec. 6.—The Kaiser has worn the famous Hohenzollern toadstone ring since the war began, according to La Vie Parisienne.

Woman Will Give Talk On Reforms in Prisons

Prison reform will be discussed by Dr. Katherine Bement Davis, commissioner of correction, of New York City, before a joint meeting of the Monday Evening Club and the National City Federation of Women's Clubs tomorrow evening at 8:15 o'clock in the Public Library.

War Oddities

BERLIN—Wives of all Berlin soldiers with the colors will be able to send Christmas presents to their husbands at the expense of the municipal government.

PARIS—A boy of seven left his fleeing family to return to an Alsace village, which was under bombardment, to rescue his school books. He explained he didn't want to give the Germans a chance to learn French.

PETROGRAD—Moslem Kirshes have dispatched 500 of their finest horses to Petrograd as a special war offering to the czar.

LONDON—A wounded British soldier asked to describe his sensations in the battle of the Aisne said: "There was a terrific bang!—then the nurse said 'Sit up and drink this.'"

GENEVA—The watch and clock-making industry in Chaux-de-Fonds has suffered a loss in business of \$5,000,000 because of the war.

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CHILENOS CONCEAL NEUTRALITY PROBE

Secrecy Ordered as Warships Return From Search for German Navy Base.

SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 6.—The cruiser Zenteno and the battleship Baquedano arrived in port late today after a double search resulting from reports that the Germans have established a base in the Juan Fernandez Islands.

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KING GEORGE HOME FROM BATTLE FRONT

Dined With King Albert of Belgium, Whom He Met on Road and Reviewed Troops.

LONDON, Dec. 6.—King George has returned from France where he visited the British forces at the front. A telegram to the Daily Mail from Dunkirk says there was a historic incident on the roadside in Flanders when King George met King Albert.

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TROOPS TO LEAVE MEXICAN BORDER

(Continued from First Page.) said that this was the logical thing to do. "In this place," this official said, "the army can do no good on the border."

There has been fighting only at two points in recent weeks, opposite Naco and Douglas, Ariz. The troops have not been authorized to stop this fighting, or to prevent firing across the border, as was done two years ago when Juarez was attacked and bullets fell across the border.

The tendency of late has been to remove the zones of trouble farther into the interior. The fight from now on will be between the Villa-Zaragoza-Cardenas alliance and Carranza. Carranza has established himself at Vera Cruz and has made himself difficult to reach by sustaining rail communication with the capital. He has made arrangements to go to the Isthmus of Tehuantepec if Vera Cruz is made too hot for him.

To Be Troublesome. I believe that Carranza will make himself a thorn in the side of Villa and Zapata for months, because, if forced to go to Tehuantepec, he can organize the original lands of Campeche, Yucatan, and Tlaxiaco and continue warfare there.

Reports of Revolution. Reports reached the State Department today from Consul Bucher, at Eagle Pass, Tex., that General Villareal, who was reported recently to have set up a new revolution, has been on a mission in northern Mexico, attempting with indifferent success, to win support to the Carranza revolution.

Thieves Took \$10 Worth Of Meat and Butter

George W. Barrill, of 334 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, reported to the police today that his store at that address was entered last night and a quantity of meat and butter, valued at \$10, stolen.

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