

SLAVE AGENT FIRED CRITTENTON HOME

New York Vice Dealers Thus Sought to Regain Control of Girl Witnesses.

NEW YORK, Aug. 30.—Half a dozen of the district attorney's detectives have been sent out to arrest three men indicted by the grand jury on white slave charges growing out of District Attorney Swann's vice investigations. At the same time, other detectives were assigned to run down an East Side white slave who is alleged to have been concerned last week in a plot to burn the Florence Crittenton Home, 427 West Twenty-first street, where Mr. Swann's vice witnesses have been sheltered in the last three weeks. The fire was set and some damage was done. Four indictments were returned to Judge Rosalby, in general sessions. Three were against the men whose arrests have been ordered and the other named David Parish, known as David Siberia, now in the Tombs awaiting trial for living upon the earnings of women.

Fur Dealer Involved.

Names of the three men sought were withheld, as they had not been arrested when the prosecutor left his office for the day. One is a dealer in furs who maintains a handsome apartment. He was married less than three months ago. His wife recently discovered he had been embroiled with women and made a personal appeal to the woman whose story, told to the grand jury, resulted in the warrant for his arrest. Great effort was made to keep secret the origin of the fire in the Florence Crittenton Home. The night the blaze started it was admitted that a woman inmate had been responsible, but no motive could be assigned. It was recalled later that this woman had been in communication with a white slave and was friendly with witnesses who had been before the grand jury.

Slavers Threatened Witnesses.

Officials of the home also knew that several of the witnesses had been told by men of the underworld they would be beaten if they did not stop making revelations to the district attorney. Because of the threats of these men, who continually hung about the building, it was necessary for Mr. Smith to leave the witnesses from and the home under guard. How the district attorney learned of the arson plot he refused to say. Mr. Smith even declined to admit the fire had been inspired by white slavers, but the information was obtained from a reliable source. In inquiring into this phase of the case it was learned that suspicion of a plot was first obtained last Saturday and that a man was arrested, but he proved he had no part in the affair. It was not until yesterday that the name of the real perpetrator was obtained. The plot was hatched that white slavers might drive the girl witnesses to the street and racketeers who would be their protectors. At the time of the fire several men who prey upon women were in the neighborhood of the home, acting for their brothers in crime and endeavoring to ship the witnesses to Philadelphia.

DISTRICT TROOPS ON BORDER TO BE MOVED

BISBEE, Ariz., Aug. 30.—The signal corps, Battery B of the field artillery, and the field hospital of the district militia will be moved from their present site near Warren to a new camp near that of the Twenty-second United States Infantry. The new camp is about two miles from where the district troops are stationed at present. Military headquarters for the country around Bisbee is located at the present site of the Twenty-second Infantry. One reason for moving the district troops is that they will become more familiar with military tactics and procedure if near the headquarters of the surrounding district. Another reason for their change is if any trouble should arise necessitating the presence of the troops from the district, the militiamen could be ordered to the scene of the trouble immediately. At their present camp they have to be reached by couriers. Officers who selected the new camp site report it an excellent position, from both a military and sanitary point of view.

HENRI J. HARPIGNIES NOTED PAINTER, DIES

Former Associate of Corot Expires in Ninety-eighth Year.

PARIS, Aug. 30.—Henri Joseph Harpignies, noted painter, is dead at St. Prive, France. He was ninety-seven years old.

Henri Joseph Harpignies was born in Valenciennes in 1819, and was educated in Paris under Achard. His work was first exhibited in the Salon in 1853. In 1860 he accompanied Corot on a trip to Italy. He was made a member of the Legion of Honor in 1875 and was awarded the Medaille d'Honneur of the Salon in 1897.

ADJOURNMENT DELAY AIDS DISTRICT BILL

Last-minute efforts to bring about an agreement on the District bill are being made by some of the friends of the bill. It was pointed out today that if the session were prolonged by the railroad situation the prospects for an agreement on the bill would be improved. Friends of the bill have not entirely given up hope of an agreement and think one is still possible. No sign appears that the half-and-half will be sacrificed if there is an agreement.

Civil Service Test To Be Held in October

The Civil Service Commission today announced the following examinations: Highway bridge engineer, male, \$1,800 to \$2,100, October 4. Blue printer, male, \$800, October 4. Senior highway bridge engineer, male, \$2,400 to \$3,000, October 3. Scientific assistant, Department of Agriculture, October 11 and 12. Junior civil engineer, grade 2, male, \$720 to \$1,080, October 4. Junior civil engineer, grade 1, male, \$1,200 to \$1,560, October 4. Junior structural engineer, male, grades 1 and 2, \$1,200 to \$1,560, and \$720 to \$1,080, October 4. Junior mechanical engineer, male, grades 1 and 2, \$1,200 to \$1,560, and \$720 to \$1,080, October 4.

The Roll of Honor

[List of Recruits for District National Guard Wednesday, August 30, for the Preceding 24 Hours.]
David T. O'Connor, 1447 W street northwest.
Thomas A. Frederick, 218 D street southwest.
Edgar R. Chatham, 215 C street southwest.

New Naval Program Will Tax Capacity of Private Shipbuilders

Six Plants Expected to Bid for Construction of 63 War Vessels Just Authorized—Government Yards Already Tied Up So That Delay Is Feared.

With all the Government navy yards, capable of building warships, overtaxed with work, six private shipbuilding plants are expected to compete for the contracts to build the sixty-three war vessels included in the first installment of the three-year naval building program just authorized by Congress and approved by the President. How the private yards are going to be able to handle the work in anything like reasonable time without devoting themselves exclusively to Government work, is a problem of growing concern, not only to the Navy Department, but to private shipping interests. Also it is a matter of some concern to the sponsors of the Administration's ship-purchase bill, designed to build up the merchant marine of the country through an expenditure of \$50,000,000.

While it is presumed that eventually the Government's naval expansion program will induce existing private yards to expand, and induce private capitalists to establish more plants, officials of the Navy Department in charge of construction work are authority for the statement that this program has not been the slightest intimation of such a thing from responsible quarters.

Allow Three Years for Building.

In mapping out their plans for the forthcoming naval expansion, officers of the department have estimated that all of the ships authorized to be started this year should be completed by 1919. To what extent the limited number of private yards is going to interfere with these hopes remains to be seen.

Inasmuch as the designs of nearly all of these vessels have been completed by the naval architects, the fact of any delay is going to be against the limited ship building facilities of the country. It is conceded in navy quarters that the present congestion might not have existed had not Secretary Daniels, in his efforts at economy, delayed the construction of ships authorized last year by rejecting bids from private contractors and finally directing that the work be done in Government yards. But the yards are not accustomed to consider water that has passed under the bridge. They are concerned with the present and future, and there is considerable chewing of mustaches over the outlook. Likewise there is anticipated that the private yards finding the Government forced to rely on them for the new ships will be inclined—some of them at least—to bolster up their prices to an extent that will more than overcome the various economies which Mr. Daniels has effected in the last two years through his policy of rejecting bids not altogether favorable and playing the Government yards against the private plants.

Bids on Fifty-eight Called For.

Of the ships authorized to be started this year, bids for fifty-eight of them were called for in advertisements published yesterday by the Navy Department immediately after the President

HOMESICKNESS GRIPS MANY MARYLANDERS

EAGLE PASS, Tex., Aug. 30.—A routine of drills and maneuvers having grown monotonous, members of the Maryland militia are seeking amusement in watering on the date of departure of the troops for home. Yesterday the First Maryland officers had the date for entraining for Baltimore fixed for next Tuesday. Officers of Troop A of cavalry, however, set the date as late as September 11. Homesickness seems to have seized the entire body of Marylanders. The subject of returning to their native State is the principal topic at all meetings and wherever else two or three militiamen gather during hours off duty. Finding that the probability of seeing actual war service is now practically nil, many of the men are being excused under the dependency act and returning to their homes.

Crosses Border to Keep Sunday School Record

HANOVER, Pa., Aug. 30.—J. Emory Renoll, of this place, who has not missed a session of Sunday school for nineteen years, traveled sixty miles last Sunday in order to maintain an unbroken record. Renoll is secretary of Trinity Reformed Sunday school, and when he learned of the edict of Dr. Samuel Dixon closing all Sunday schools in Pennsylvania he decided to go to Maryland. Arriving in Baltimore on an early train, he found all the city schools closed, but undismayed he went to the country and after searching for hours found a school in session six miles from Baltimore, which he attended. Renoll is preparing to go out of town next Sunday, probably to West Virginia, as he is determined to uphold his unique record.

Hundred Killed in Riots Over Liebknecht Case

LONDON, Aug. 30.—The Hague correspondent of the Central News has a report that eighty-five civilians, twenty-two soldiers and four policemen were killed in riots in Dresden last week. The disorders are said to have been brought on by a demonstration against the imposition of an increased sentence on Dr. Karl Liebknecht for appealing from the findings of a military court. The crowds were dispersed by troops after 200 persons had been arrested.

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE TO OPEN SEPTEMBER 5

Brothers in Charge Return After Two Months at Summer School in Jersey.

St. John's College will open its fall term September 5 for the classification of students. The brothers in charge of the institution returned to Washington last night after two months at their summer school in Ocean City, N. J. The faculty this year includes Brother Alfred, president; Brother Flamin, vice president; Brother Martin, treasurer, and Brother Charles, secretary.

Wrist Watch, Ear Screw, And Brooch Gain Favor

MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 30.—The wrist watch will be more in vogue than ever before, the valetiers will remain popular for at least another year, and ear-screws and brooches will be worn more generally than for several years, according to speakers at the annual convention of the American National Jewelers' Association held today.

"The wrist watch not only is ornamental, but to many has become a necessity," said J. R. Tack, of Newark, N. J., second vice president of the association. "The diamond solitaire set close to the ear will lead in popularity."

Fidelis, Charles, Hilary, Paul, and Andrew. The Rev. Brothers Flamin, Martin, Raymond, and Charles will be professors in the pre-medical studies, and the preparatory engineering and law classes will be instructed by Brothers Alfred, Leodore, and Flamin. The courses for West Point and Annapolis will be in charge of Brothers Adolph, Bernardine, and Hilary, and the preseminary course, Brothers Alfred, Fidelis, and Martin. In the military department the senior battalion will be in charge of Brothers Martin and Fidelis; the junior battalion and band will be in charge of Brothers Fidelis and Bernardine.

ALEXANDRIA COUNCIL TO ORGANIZE FRIDAY

New Term Sessions Will Begin Immediately After Organization and Oaths.

ALEXANDRIA, Aug. 30.—The new city council will organize at noon Friday and meetings will be resumed a few days later. It was reported that at the organization meeting the council was to elect a successor to the late Samuel P. Fisher, corporation attorney, but there are differences of opinion as to whether council should fill the vacancy or whether it should be left to the people at the next general election. In the board of aldermen, the following members were elected to serve until

September 1, 1920. F. F. Marbury, first ward; W. W. Ballenger, second; John T. Harrison, third; and J. B. Fitzgerald, fourth. The four other aldermen, who began their terms September 1, 1914, are Jacob Brill, first ward; George H. Robinson, second ward; Maurice Wilkins, third; C. J. W. Summers, fourth.

Newly elected members of common council are: George H. Evans and Harry R. Burke; Howard W. Smith and William Desmond; A. J. Pohl and J. W. Sales; Albert Bryan and C. S. Ballenger. Besides these, eight other councilmen have terms holding over until September 1, 1918.

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