LOSES SUIT FOR MOTHER'S LIFE

JURY IN AUSTIN CASE GIVES INFANT NOTHING

Little Edith Balcom Doesn't Know of Second Tragedy in Her Life. Orphan Is Left Penniless

While little Edith Balcom played unconcernedly with her doll traps and talked various kinds of baby talk to a number of her favored little ones, a jury in department nine of the superior court yesterday morning brought in a verdict against the youngster, cutting off the one means whereby the child was to have received a fine education and lots of good things until she should become old enough to manage for herself.

But, surrounded by those who loved her and happy with her toys, the little orphan mercifully did not appreciate that stern verdict, and not until the years to come will she understand the court proceedings she attended.

The little girl was suing for damages for loss of her mother. Twenty thousand dollars did not mean anything to the sober-faced youngster, but whenever her mother was mentioned—the mother she had learned to wait for in the evening and who had worked so hard for the little girl's sake—the tot brightened up.

There was only one thing about the tragedy wherein the mother, Mrs. Lulu Austin, lost her life that appealed to the little girl. She knew that her mother had gone out for an automobile ride with one of her friends and two men. Little Edith remembered that it was the first time her mamma had been away from her during the late afternoon and evening for a long, long time. The child had been put to bed by her older friends, and the next morning it was a sad, sad world that the big brown eyes opened upon.

Fatherless, little Edith had been robbed of her only other relative during the night, and for a long while she failed to be comforted.

Jurymen Unconvinced

The mother had accompanied her friends out on East First street for a ride in the country. The party had started to return in the early evening, but the automobile broke down and caused considerable delay. A second time they started and had reached the First street hill just east of Evergreen cemetery when the automobile topped the hill and started down at a mad speed. Just at the bottom of the hill the automobile had stuck in the sand, and before the occupants could extrisate the machine a car going at a good rate of speed dashed down the hill from the other direction and collided head on.

There was a crash in the dark night, a half-stifled scream, the sound of splitting timber, and when the jarring wheels of the car came to a stop and the motorman leaped to the rescue, he found a dark, motionless body at the side of the road.

So Edith had a guardian appointed, and she asked the courts for $20,000 for the life of her mother, accusing the Los Angeles Railway company of having been negligent.

But the twelve jurymen could not see the case in that light, and many of them were glad that Edith was home playing with her dollies and not in court looking at them with her great wondering eyes when they filed in yesterday morning and gave a verdict against the youngster.

MANY OLD TEACHERS TO LEAVE NORMAL SCHOOL

NEW RULE WILL AFFECT THE FACULTY

Change Is Most Extensive Made at Institution in Years—Regret Expressed Generally by Friends of Persons Forced From Positions

In the change of the Normal school prohibiting all but high school graduates to enter, several of the best known and most popular professors will be compelled to resign their positions which have now been made useless. Among these are Prof. Melville Dozier, who has been connected with the faculty more than twenty-two years.

Prof. Dozier has done all in his power to assist the school in adjusting itself to the new conditions, knowing that his position would be made vacant thereby, but it was not known until recently that he would not be given another position.

He says that it is only in the line of advancement and does not complain. He is more than forty-five years old, the age limit for admitting teachers to the city schools, so he cannot enter the teaching life. Dr. Millspaugh, principal of the normal, states that it is greatly regretted that Prof. Dozier will be left out of the faculty for the coming year.

John B. Cleveland of the University of Chicago will teach higher mathematics. Miss Ada Laughlin, teacher of drawing, has resigned and will be succeeded by Miss Nellie F. Gere.

Miss Sarah Monks, who has been connected with the school about the same time that Prof. Dozier has, has also resigned for the same reason. Miss Alice M. Osden will succeed Miss Katherine Gill as teacher of reading. Miss Carrie Reeves and Miss Gill are soon to become brides.

Miss Reeves has resigned from the head of the training department. Dr. T. R. Croswell has left the faculty to engage in business and will be replaced by E. Shepherdson, who in turn will be replaced by Dr. Lewis M. Terman.

Alitogether the present change is the most extensive made at the normal in many years, and many regret the leaving of the old instructors.

UNDELIVERED TELEGRAMS

There are undelivered telegrams at the office of the Postal Telegraph company for Carlylse Wynn, Webster T. Smith, Della A. Stamman, J. A. Riordan, Miss May McDonald, J. C. Martin, Flager Fruit Co., F. M. Evans, W. P. Chafee & Co., E. Coons, Miss Agnes Bird. Cables for Ginace, Lohman Nevin.

Decide They Can't Live Apart

By Associated Press.

PHILADELPHIA, July 12.—Judge James Harvey MacLeary of St. John, assistant justice of the supreme court of Porto Rico, today procured a license to marry Mary King MacLeary of Auburn, N. Y., from whom he was divorced in 1901. Judge MacLeary is 60 years old and his fiancee is 49.

RAIN OF CATS FOLLOWS JOKE

Saloon Keeper Offers to Buy One Thousand and Now He Is Sorry He Did It

Special to The Herald.

READING, Pa., July 12.—George Baranowski, a saloonkeeper, is running an advertisement in a daily paper here offering to buy 1000 cats at the "highest market price."

Recently Baranowski had a discussion with a neighbor as to the probable number of responses to such an advertisement, so he decided to try it as a joke. Since advertising he has had 1500 callers anxious to sell him their surplus cats. He bought 300 of all varieties.

Baranowski now has several large chicken pens filled with cats, and what to do with them is a puzzle to him. He has paid from 5 to 15 cents apiece for the cats.

Reports of stolen cats may be expected to pour in within the next forty-eight hours.

REGALADO KILLED DURING BATTLE

SALVADOREAN TROOPS LOSE LEADER

In Engagement With Guatemalans Many Are Killed, Among Them Being the Former President of Salvador

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, July 12.—Regalado, former president of Salvador and leader of the Salvadorean troops in the present conflict with Guatemala, was killed in battle today.

The announcement of his death reached the state department through a dispatch from United States Minister Merry at San Salvador.

The dispatch stated that Regalado was killed in the last movement of the Salvadorean troops against the Guatemalans, but did not indicate what the result of the battle was.

Thomas Regalado was president of Salvador from 1899 to 1903. A provision in the Salvadorean constitution prevented him from having a second term immediately following his first, but he was a candidate to succeed President Escalon, whose term will expire next year, and doubtless would have been elected as he was a popular idol and had achieved much fame as a soldier.

DIES IN BATTLE NEAR EL JICARO

Salvadoreans Meet Defeat at Hands of Guatemalans

By Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS, July 12.—An official cablegram to the Guatemalan consul here says that the battle in which Regalado was killed was fought Wednesday afternoon at El Jicaro, a place about seven miles from the frontier in the department of Jutiopa, Guatemala, and twenty-five miles from the Pacific coast.

The dispatch says that the Salvadoreans were defeated.

BRYANS ARE GUESTS OF AMBASSADOR REID

By Associated Press.

LONDON, July 12.—William J. Bryan and Mrs. Bryan were the guests of Ambassador and Mrs. Reid at luncheon at Dorchester hause today.

Among those invited to meet Mr. and Mrs. Bryan were Sir Edward Grey, the foreign secretary; the bishop of Ripon, the Rev. Dr. William Boyd Carpenter and Mrs. Carpenter; Charles Page Bryan, D. O. Mills and Secretary Ridgeley Carter of the American embassy.

NEWLY WED; LOSE TRAIN

Wedding Guests Turn Key on Them After Well-Planned Flight—Then Taunt Captives

By Associated Press.

PHILADELPHIA, July 12—Locked in the house of a friend by over-zealous wedding guests and kept prisoners until the last train had departed was the fate of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Abel of Narberth, bride and groom of a few hours, Saturday night.

Miss Gertrude H. Savournin and Mr. Abel, popular young people of Narberth, were married that evening at the home of the aunt of the bride, Mrs. J. Henry Jones.

After the ceremony the couple endeavored to escape from the usual contributions of rice, old shoes and signs by going to the home of Mrs. Henry W. Bray, where it had been arranged for a cab to call to take the pair to the midnight train.

One of the wedding guests noticed the escape over the back roof and quietly locked all the doors of the house in which the couple thought they were secure until train time.

Notifying the other guests that the pair were treed, the man who trailed the quarry made a collection of tin pans, kettles and coal scuttles, which the crowd beat while inviting the couple to come forth.

The invitation was declined with thanks, and the serenaders, remained at the work until after train time.

At noon today Mr. and Mrs. Abel, in the best of spirits, started on their honeymoon, taking with them the best wishes of their friends.

BETROTHED AS JOKE·SHE SUES

Marriage Banns Read Out in Church Before Mike Asked the Girl. Wants Damages

Special to The Herald.

PITTSBURG, July 12.—Mike Mulkernan, an Irish member of Father McHugh's church in Soho, is in serious trouble and under bail.

Last Sunday he had the priest read out the marriage banns between himself and fair Annie Curran, one of the congregation.

It might have been all right if Mike had not forgotten to ask Annie about it beforehand, but he didn't ask her, and today she sued him for $1000 damages.

Mike says it was all a joke, but Annie says not. She says Mike never paid any attention to her, never courted her at all.

Annie says he sent a friend to court her, but she snubbed him, and to get even Mike now had the banns for her and himself published.

The plaintiff charges that she "has been made the object of the gibes and jeers of her neighbors and others," and that "the defendant was never engaged to marry the plaintiff, and that he wickedly and maliciously continued to injure the plaintiff's good name."

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WM. J. BRYAN HEARS HALDANE

ENGLAND'S WAR SECRETARY SCORES GOVERNMENT

In the Course of His Remarks Mr. Haldane Declares National Forces Are Not Properly Organized

By Associated Press.

LONDON, July 12.—War Secretary Haldane in the house of commons today announced the government's plan for a more economical administration and a more efficient maintenance of the army.

Among those present in the house, which was crowded, was William J. Bryan, who went there especially to hear Mr. Haldane's speech.

Broadly, the government's proposal is to maintain an expeditionary force of 150,000 men immediately available for war with a territorial organization behind it capable of supporting and expanding the forces serving abroad.

In the course of his remarks the war secretary said that the state of the national forces was highly unsatisfactory from the point of view of both cost and organization.

He believed that economy and efficiency were not inconsistent with democratic nations. However, they might differ in other subjects, they were unanimous in the desire to lighten the crushing burdens due to armaments now resting upon them.

The British government desired to take its share in this movement and meant to give it a lead. He believed the proposed scheme would increase the fighting efficiency of the army by 50 per cent.

THINK HE IS BUTTING IN

Lovers Take Property Owner for Spy and His Head Is Now in a Sling

Special to The Herald.

PITTSBURG, Pa., July 12.—It is dangerous business watching lovers spoon, according to the experience of Andrew Phillips, a young man who resides in Uxor alley, south side.

As evidence supporting this statement Phillips has a big lump on the side of his head, which he says he received in Carrick borough yesterday afternoon at the hands of an irate swain who hit him with a club, knocking him unconscious.

Phillips owns a lot on the outskirts of Carrick borough and went out yesterday to look at his property. Being tired he lay down on the grass to rest.

Presently a young man and his sweetheart came strolling by, engaged in close conversation. Phillips sat up to see who was trespassing. The moment he was perceived by the young woman's escort the latter became furious and approached Phillips in a threatening manner, accusing him of spying on him and his sweetheart.

Phillips denied the accusation, but said that inasmuch as he was on his own property he was under the impression that he had a right to do as he pleased. His opponent, however, was of a different opinion and struck Phillips over the head with a stick of wood, knocking him to the ground.

After being stretched unconscious for awhile, Phillips started after his opponent. He boarded the same car with the young couple and came to town with them. When the car reached Carson street Phillips hailed a policeman and told his story, but the policeman refused to arrest the accused.

Phillips later made complaint at the South Thirteenth street police station, saying that if he could find out the pugnacious lover's name he would make information against him.

BRIDGE HAS GLASS FLOOR

Structure Which Will Span Arkansas River Over Royal Gorge Has a Transparent Bottom

Special to The Herald.

DENVER, Colo., July 12.—Within a few months the highest bridge in the world will be completed, and foot passengers will be able to cross the Royal Gorge, 2627 feet above the rushing waters of the Arkansas river.

Several years ago, when the proposition was advanced to bridge the gorge, the idea was laughed at. Promoters of the scheme went ahead with true western spirit, and when the engineers' plans were submitted to bridge builders they were pronounced feasible.

It is planned to construct a bridge of the suspension type for light wagons and pedestrians only. Later a stronger structure may replace it. One unique feature will be a glass floor, through which travelers may look upon the foamy stream as it rushes snakelike through the granite gulch.

The Royal Gorge is the narrowest point in the Grand Canyon. At the top the width is but 250 feet, and far down in the semi-darkness the river flows over a bed only fifty feet from wall to wall.

At the bottom of the Royal Gorge there is a railroad—one of the most remarkable pieces of engineering in this country. At spots it was impossible to find ledges wide enough to build the track, so "hanging bridges" were devised. Huge trusses of steel were swung from one side of the gorge to the other and from these the body of the bridge was suspended.

GRABS GIRL'S FOOT; 999 YEARS

Severe Punishment Meted Out to Negro Who Entered Room, by Texas Court

Special to The Herald.

FORT WORTH, Texas, July 12.—Nine hundred and ninety-nine years in the penitentiary is the penalty imposed upon Snow Williams, a negro, for catching a white woman by the foot. The negro entered the girl's room at Belton a few nights ago and seized her by the foot, but her screams brought aid and he was arrested. The grand jury was in session and quick punishment followed.

Flips Train and Dies

By Associated Press.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., July 12.—George McKinley died here today as the result of injuries sustained while attempting to steal a ride on a freight train at Wallula this morning. The man is evidently of good family. His mother lives in Los Angeles.

Wires Down at Cape Haytien

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, July 12.—Broken telegraph wires between Monte Christi and Cape Haytien, the cable terminus in Santo Domingo, are reported to the navy department today by Commander Southerland, an almost invariable sign of revolutionary trouble there.

CALF HAS HEART IN NECK

Remarkable Freak Animal Is Attracting Much Attention—Vital Organ Found in Dewlap

Special to The Herald.

FORT COLLINS, Colo., July 12.—Dr. G. H. Glover and his assistants of the veterinary department of the state agricultural college yesterday came into possession of one of the most remarkable freaks ever seen in this portion of the state. It is a calf about two weeks old, perfectly normal and healthy in every way except that its heart is located in the dewlap of the neck.

The heart is of normal size and is suspended in the loose skin about midway between the head and breast and there performs all the ordinary functions of such an organ.

The throbs of the animal's heart can be seen at quite a distance and the organ can be completely enclosed by the extended hand and all its action still maintained. The calf takes nourishment and is in fair condition. Its growth and development will be carefully watched by the college veterinarians.

OLDEST TWIN SISTERS AT 85

Two Women Who Shared Their Joys and Sorrows to a Remarkable Degree

Special to The Herald.

CHICAGO, July 12.—Having gone through life together, traveling in almost the same paths, suffering the same ills, bearing each other's troubles and joys, and now ending their years in each other's company, Mrs. Martha Erickson and Mrs. Bertha Fugelstadt, twin sisters, a few days ago celebrated their eighty-fifth birthday anniversary, surrounded by four generations of their descendants.

Throughout their life the twins have invariably suffered the same ills. Thirty-five years ago they both had measles, and ever since when an ailment has seized one the other has been similarly affected. Last week both had severe colds. When both had the measles one of the sisters was in Norway, while the other was in America.

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