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STONE TRIAL WILL BE RESUMED THIS MORNING

Defense Plans to Call Chief Detective Brown and Deputy Sheriff Aguirre to Stand

The preliminary examination of George A. and Clara Stone, charged with the murder of Morgan Shibley on January 2, will be resumed this morning in Justice Northrup's courtroom at Alhambra. The prosecution rested its case late Tuesday afternoon, and owing to the absence of the witnesses for the defense the hearing was continued until this morning at 10 o'clock.

FLORENCE CRITTENTON MISSION WORKER ARRIVES

Dr. Kate Waller Barrett of Washington is President of National Organization

Dr. Kate Waller Barrett of Washington, D. C., president of the National Florence Crittenton mission, arrived in Los Angeles yesterday afternoon and is staying at the Hampton home on West Fifth street.

Dr. Barrett is accompanied by her two daughters and will remain in Los Angeles several weeks.

GOVERNMENT DREDGING AT SAN DIEGO FINISHED

Harbor of Southern Port Now Has Depth of Thirty to Thirty-One Feet of Water in Channel

Completion of the dredging of the San Diego harbor was announced yesterday at the office of the United States engineer in Los Angeles. The work was begun November 15 and has cost \$30,000, which money was appropriated by the government.

MUNICIPAL BAND TO PLAY

The Municipal band directed by Harley Hamilton will play in Central park this afternoon. The program will be as follows: "Military Review March," Muzio; "Wiener Blut Waltz," Strauss; "Flower Song," Lange; piccolo solo, "The Wren" (George Cann). Danzars; descriptive piece, "A Hunting Scene," Bucalossi; Spanish suite, "La Feria," Lacombe; "Romance from l'clair," Halicz; selections from Woodland, Lueders; "Pasquinade," Gottschalk; American medley march, Carl.

RUNAWAY GIRL AT SCHOOL

Ruth Merrill, the 15-year-old daughter of A. B. Merrill, 1218 West Forty-ninth street, who was taken into custody Tuesday night while attempting to run away from home dressed in boy's clothing, resumed her school duties yesterday after promising the police that she would make no more attempts to leave her home.

BABY MYSTERY SOLVED; HOAX

MRS. WILSON ADMITS CHILDREN NOT HER OWN

DESIRE TO BREAK RECORD MOTIVE FOR HER ACTION

Infants Range in Age from Two Days to Two Months—Borrowed Especially for the Occasion

The mystery of the Wilson quadruplets was solved last night, when Mrs. W. W. Wilson, supposed mother of the four children, fearing that the truth would be brought out sooner or later, broke down and made a confession. The confession was made first to Dr. L. M. Powers, health officer, and then to her husband and to her mother. Mrs. C. Leona Marsters, Mrs. Wilson told how the hoax had been planned and how the babies had been delivered to her by Mrs. Lena Hayes and Mrs. Catherine C. Smith.

Mrs. Wilson's only reason for perpetrating the hoax was that she wanted to break all existing records and as she had succeeded so well in previous cases, she thought she would be able to carry this one out without being detected. The confession was brought about by Mrs. Marsters, who after discovering that the babies ranged in age from two hours to two months, told Mrs. Wilson that the truth was known and she had better tell which, if any, of the children were hers. If they were not hers, Mrs. Marsters said the babies would be taken from the house. It was then that Mrs. Wilson broke down and told the story from the beginning to the end.

BRAND CONTRACTORS AS IRRESPONSIBLE BIDDERS

Board of Public Works Will Endeavor to Collect on Bond of D. M. Leary

J. H. Melville and D. M. Leary were yesterday declared irresponsible bidders by the board of public works, and they will not again be permitted to receive contracts for city work. In addition to declaring Leary an irresponsible bidder, the board will ask the council to instruct the city attorney to begin legal proceedings to collect on Leary's bond.

ALLEYWAY WILL PROVE COSTLY TO TAXPAYERS

Judge James of the superior court rendered a decision yesterday fixing the amounts to be paid by the city of Los Angeles for a number of pieces of property condemned in connection with the building of an alley between Seventh and Eighth streets and Spring street and Broadway. The total amount the city will have to pay for this alley is \$138,547. The average value fixed by the court on the frontage property involved is about \$3000 a foot, and the sums to be paid follow:

FEMALE RAFFLES IS RELEASED ON PROBATION

Rosa Buser, Whose Criminal Tendencies Were Aroused by Picture Show, Escapes Prison

Miss Rosa Buser, alias May Moll, known as the "female Raffles," who pleaded guilty more than a week ago to a charge of burglary, was placed on probation for two years by Judge Davis yesterday, and was released from the county jail to go with her half sisters, Mrs. Leona Patterson, Mrs. Julia Poponoe and Mrs. Caroline Morse.

PLACED ON PROBATION

Judge Davis yesterday placed F. N. Mitchell on probation for two years after a plea of guilty to a charge of grand larceny had been entered.

HUGE MERGER IN COPPER PROBABLE

OPENING MADE BY DECISION OF FEDERAL JUDGES

PLANS LAID FOR FORMATION OF BIG COMBINE

Butte Properties to Be Welded in Management with the Great Guggenheim Interests

[Special to The Herald.] NEW YORK, Jan. 26.—As a result of the decision of Judges Lanning and Cross in the United States court at Trenton, N. J., dissolving the injunction against the plan to merge the Utah Copper company with the Boston Consolidated company, one of the greatest combinations known to the financial world is probable. Plans were laid today for the formation of one of the greatest mergers of the century, amounting to the acquisition of involving millions of dollars of copper holdings were made within forty-eight hours after the decision of the United States court, and what their bearing on the other proposed trust mergers remains to be seen.

Announcement was made officially today that the merger of the Boston Consolidated Copper company and the Nevada Consolidated company with the Utah Copper company was completed. The entire capital stock of the Utah company was delivered to the Utah company, which turned over 310,000 shares of its own stock to Boston holders.

Plan Vast Monopoly

With the merger of the Butte properties and the recent merger of the Boston company, it is now expected in financial circles that the Butte and Guggenheim interests will consolidate and the result will be a gigantic corporation controlling virtually all the copper output of the United States and influencing the world's market.

Amalgamated Statement

The amalgamated, in a statement, says: The reasons for the proposed increase of the price of copper are the economic and efficient management of business operations of the different companies. "What is known as the law of apex or the right to follow a vein on its dip extra-laterally beyond the surface line of mining claims previously located in Montana and has given rise to many perplexing problems in connection with operators in the Butte district.

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES HELD AT OLIVE SCHOOL

Students of First Half of Ninth Year Grade Arrange Program to Be Given February 4

Students of the first half of the ninth year grade in the Olive street school, and who will be promoted to the Los Angeles and Polytechnic high schools in February, will hold a commencement program February 4 in the school auditorium. Only the first half year of the high school course is taught at the Olive street school, and upon completion of the studies the students are transferred to the other high schools. Following is the program for the exercises:

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SPEAKS FOR CHANGE OF THE LIQUOR LAWS

COMMISSIONER TOPHAM GIVES HIS REASONS

Believes That Wholesalers and Women Should Be Divorced Entirely from the Retail Traffic

Good reasons why the city's liquor laws should be changed were given to the Federation club by Police Commissioner John Topham in an address before that body at its regular weekly luncheon yesterday.

Mr. Topham told the large audience of his experiences while he was investigating the brewery control over the retail liquor business. He told of the great odds the police commission is encountering in its efforts to clean up the liquor business and how ramifications of the business extended into other lines of business considered highly respectable.

FORMER KANSAS WOMEN BREAK UP BACHELOR AFFAIR

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Charges Against Them to Be Investigated by Board of Education Committee

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MAY ADD MURDER TO BIGAMY CHARGES

Eastern Officers with Requisition Papers for Count Von Muller Assert Man Is Grave Offender

The finding of the mutilated body of a woman in Harlem led to "Count" Von Muller's arrest here on charges of bigamy transferred in the east, and that the alleged bigamist may be a murderer as well as the husband of many women, was the statement of Detectives McDonald and Weintlich, attached to the district attorney's office in Hoboken, N. J., who arrived in Los Angeles yesterday for Muller armed with requisition papers signed by Governor Gillett.

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