

RICH FRIENDS TAKE CARE OF YOUNG WIFE

Reputed Daughter of Wealthy Philadelphia Family Silent as to Identity

Well Dressed Pair Learned of Girl's Plight Through the Newspapers

Maintaining a dogged silence regarding the identity of her relatives, Mrs. Cleveland Anton Meiswinkel, reputed daughter of a wealthy Philadelphia family who, after quarreling with her husband Wednesday night, tried to commit suicide by drinking lye, added to the sensation and mystery surrounding her yesterday afternoon when two well dressed strangers drove to the central emergency hospital in a taxicab and without the least word of explanation took her away. They maintained a reticence equal to that displayed by the girl.

That Mrs. Meiswinkel is well connected there could be not the least doubt. She declared that her relatives were wealthy and prominent in the east and, for that reason, refused to divulge their names. Her two friends, learning of her plight through the newspapers, went to her rescue immediately, spent money freely in aiding her and successfully blocked all information in regard to her. What she did have to say indicated that the attempt she made on her life was the culmination of a long series of matrimonial difficulties, of sickness and the realization that her husband had ceased to care for her. She at first withheld her name, but when cards bearing it were found among her effects, she admitted it.

"I was married two years ago," she said. "My relatives and those of my husband are well known in the east, and both families are looked upon as being wealthy. Our marriage was not liked by either of our families, but we thought we could win our own way without their help and left them."

HUSBAND A SALESMAN
"My husband secured a place as a traveling salesman and about two months ago we came to San Francisco. About six months ago we had a bitter quarrel and since that time life has been a series of small fights. To add to my troubles my health failed me."

"I saw my husband did not care for me. He showed it in his attitude and his actions. When we were out together he would point to other women and ask me why I could not dress like them. I tried to but my health was poor and I suppose I did not succeed. "Ultimately he did not seem to care what became of me. He lost his position and to make ends meet I secured employment as a saleswoman in a Market street department store. I do not know exactly how I could either help him or myself. My health was bad, my husband did not want me, and"

QUARREL ON WEDNESDAY
"Wednesday night we had another quarrel. He was very plain spoken and emphatic on this occasion and flatly told me that he did not care for me and that he wanted me to leave him."

"The child wife cried bitterly as she reached this stage of her story and long after the sob had subsided remained silent. "You see," she continued, "I always hoped that somehow things would straighten out, but when he spoke to me I saw how useless it all was. I went away and thought it all out—our marriage, our struggles and this, the end. I did not know how I could help him or myself. My health was bad, my husband did not want me, and"

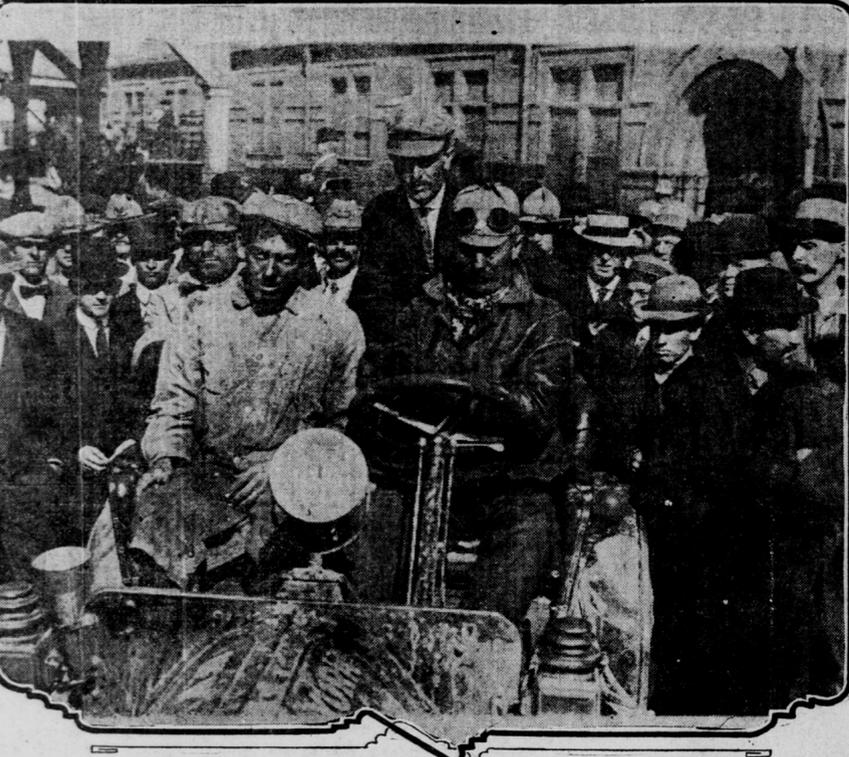
Throughout her story, however, she made it evident that she wished to shield the husband as much as possible. "I love him," she said in a hysterical outburst, "and I want to love him more. I am ready to do anything he chooses. If he is happy away from me I shall leave him. I shall do anything to make him happy."

The two friends who aided her, she said, lived at the Fairmont hotel, but she refused to give their names. One of them, in discussing the affair, said it was nothing more than an average matrimonial quarrel and that if the two were left alone they would be happily reunited. One of them said:

"Mrs. Meiswinkel's people are very prominent and wealthy in the east, and I can not make public their names. I do not know much about the husband except that he is a traveling salesman, who, I understand, is now out of work. Both of them married when they were extremely young, little more than children, in fact, and their parents naturally objected. I have seen the young husband and he is anxious for the reconciliation, and as his wife is of the same mind I thought it best to have them brought together again."

"My sole interest in the case is brought about by my friendship for the

Daring Automobilst Makes a New Record Across Continent



The big crowd that received the record breaking Reo as it was checked in at the ferry building yesterday.

girl's relatives. I saw the name in the newspapers, and fearing that the unfortunate woman might be the daughter of my old friend I made an investigation and found my fears were well founded."

It was rumored that the husband is the son of a millionaire brewer in Cincinnati, but this was denied.

TWO MEN KILLED WHEN WAGONS COLLIDE

Fatal Accident in Alum Rock Avenue, San Jose

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SAN JOSE, Aug. 18.—At a coroner's inquest over the bodies of Felix Castro and Joseph F. Spencer, who met their death in a collision between two rigs Tuesday night in East San Jose, verdicts of accidental death were returned in each case.

The accident occurred in Alum Rock avenue. Castro and Spencer were driving eastward while J. T. Campbell, an aged messenger, was coming toward town in a road wagon on the same side of the street.

As the men, who are now dead, neared the Garden City sanitarium, their horse broke into a run. It had gone but a short distance when with a crash the two vehicles collided and Spencer and Castro were thrown to the ground.

Campbell was thrown from his wagon but escaped injury. He had been employed by the Jackson precinct ballot to carry the Jackson precinct ballot to the courthouse in San Jose and immediately upon gaining his bearings tucked the ballot box under his arm and started for town.

DEBATERS TO ARGUE ON NAVY INCREASE

Commercial Evening Alumni and Webster Club to Clash

The debating teams of the Commercial evening alumni and the Webster debating and oratory club, will meet in the auditorium of the Mission high school, Eighteenth and Dolores streets, tomorrow night and argue the following question: "Resolved, that the United States navy should be immediately increased."

The affirmative side of the question will be advanced by the Webster club represented by John Kline, James G. Reiser and H. B. Glover. Commercial alumni's defense will be conducted by William A. Lafferty, Arthur W. Kennedy and George W. Hall.

Speakers will have 15 minutes each. Peter Sarfield, president of the alumni, will preside and three superior judges will decide the debate. Music will be furnished by the alumni orchestra under M. Cohn.

FIRE IN THE MISSION—Fire caused about \$9,000 worth of damage at 3 o'clock yesterday morning in the store of M. Teckelbaub & Co. at 1765 Mission street, to the saloon of James Hanson, 1781 Mission, and the Drendel electrical works, 83 Erie street. How the fire originated is a mystery, and Fire Marshal Tose will investigate. There was partial insurance on the property destroyed.

LESS THAN 11 DAYS USED FOR JOURNEY

L. L. Whitman in Reo Lowers His Own Mark of 15 Days Set in 1906

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

A man and an automobile with a world's record reached San Francisco yesterday. The man, L. L. Whitman, the veteran transcontinental automobile speed burner, brought into this city a four cylinder Reo in 10 days 15 hours 12 minutes and a second, lowering his own previous record, made in 1906, of 15 days 2 hours and 12 minutes, which means that he has lowered the mark down in a road wagon on the same side of the street.

To this, however, three hours must be added to the difference in time between the time in New York and San Francisco.

This is a wonderful performance when one stops and soberly considers the distance traveled, the road conditions and the elements that must have been met in such a journey. The fact that the human mind can devise machinery that will withstand such a trying ordeal has been proved in this Reo car. But there is another factor in all such great contests and that is the master hand of physical endurance that the human hand can display. The motor heroes were given a fitting California welcome. A delegation from the city motored up the road as far as Pinole, and there awaited their coming. After greeting and salutations, which occupied but a minute or two, the automobiles were headed toward, and with Captain F. W. Cole of the Pacific motor car company and representatives of the Reo at the wheel of the pilot car, the last triumphant leg of the journey started for this, the queen city of the Pacific. Through Oakland, down the mole, which in itself was a fitting finish, as it was a race of seconds to catch the boat, Whitman and his Reo with the escort given. Success, as in the whole journey, crowned the last dash, and Whitman entered San Francisco a boat earlier than he was scheduled. To show how true to program the whole event was carried out, Whitman started on an 11 day schedule, and finished about nine hours ahead of it.

BAND GREETS TRAVELERS
At the ferry the successful Reo was met with a brass band in a motor sight seeing car and a large number of enthusiastic owners, whose numbers were augmented as the procession went up Market street to Van Ness and Golden Gate avenues, and thence down to Lark to the home of the Pacific motor car company. Here there were more music and congratulations.

L. L. Whitman and E. I. Hammond, the accredited drivers on the trip, were the center of attraction.

Whitman, in speaking of the trip, said: "We had exceedingly good weather. Out of the 4,000 miles which we covered, we had only two spells of rain, lasting one a distance of 100 miles and the other of 75 miles. Through the east, where we encountered showers and light mud, we ran with chains. Near Evanston, we struck some nasty alkali mud holes, where we had to use our mud flaps, marking a sharp turn near Valparaiso, Ind., we ditched and wrecked one of our wheels, which, however, we were able to patch up for the run into Cedar Rapids, and we lost a little over an hour for repairs and a new wheel."

"The worst roads are the desert roads between Laramie and Reno. Here, we struck washouts, some of them deeper than the height of the car, and some of them only three or four feet low. These washouts had sharp edges, and after going off them, we would have to take a shovel and make a runway to get up on the other side."

"Our average mileage was between 30 and 35, and the first four days we covered an average of 500 miles per day. After that we were getting well into the west and our total mileage decreased until we struck the Green river and Bitter creek district, where we struck 20 miles of road that was continually washed out. At night, our average speed was 15 to 25 miles per hour, as we never took chances in the

dark. We made Chicago from New York in 48 hours, which in itself is record time.

CHECKED UP CAREFULLY
"Our official checking points were Utica, Buffalo, Cleveland, South Bend, Cedar Rapids, Council Bluffs, North Platte, Laramie, Green River, Ogden, Monticello, Battle Mountain, Reno, Sacramento, and San Francisco.

"I, however, did not travel more than 100 miles without checking in before a notary, as I had heard that some one was following up the check on my journey, and to see evidently that I did not ship, as had been claimed for some continental record breakers. If such was the case, I would like to meet the man as an additional evidence to the great work done by the Reo. I have driven a great many cars in my day, and I can truthfully say that under no circumstances of any kind have I driven a slicker engine. It ran as smoothly as the finish as it did when it started from New York. Thirty miles out of New York we blew out a spark plug that had a cracked porcelain. The other three spark plugs are in the car and have never been touched.

"Another victory gained in this run was for the Michelin tires, which were in lowering this transcontinental record."

To look at the car one would hardly realize that it had been through such a grueling contest. Many a vehicle coming up from Los Angeles shows more marks of travel than this world beater.

UNITED MINE WORKERS HEAR DEFENSE OF LEWIS

Illinois Strike and Proposed Compromise Discussed

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 18.—A compromise seemed to be the aim of the speakers in today's session of the special international convention of united mine workers. President Lewis, in summing up his side of the case, did not assert that the Illinois strike should be indefinitely suspended. Walker of Illinois admitted that he believed the members of the international executive board acted in good faith in forming the so-called compromise agreement which was submitted to Illinois.

When Lewis took up his defense this afternoon tumult ruled. John Mitchell rose to quiet the tide, but Lewis refused this, and said: "I can keep order, Mitchell, without any assistance."

MILWAUKEE, DES MOINES AND DAVENPORT CENSUS

Three Cities Show Progress Since Year of 1900

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—The population of Milwaukee is 373,857, an increase of 88,542, or 31 per cent, as compared with 285,315 in 1900.

The population of Des Moines, Ia., is 86,368, an increase of 24,239, or 39 per cent, as compared with 62,129 in 1900.

The population of Davenport, Ia., is 43,029, an increase of 7,774, or 22.1 per cent, as compared with 35,254 in 1900.

Canada Has 7,489,781

OTTAWA, Ont., Aug. 18.—The population of Canada on March 31 last was 7,489,781, according to the estimate of the census department, announced today.

\$400,000 FIRE IN BOSTON

Boston, Aug. 18.—Fire today in the five story warehouse of Crum and Fie's wool merchant, Congress street, caused a loss of more than \$400,000. The value of the wool destroyed is estimated at from \$350,000 to \$375,000.

If You Are Fat and Hot Read This Article

There is no necessity of fat people suffering as they do. Most fat people are so good natured they do not care how they look or how they get along during the hot weather. As a matter of fact, there is a natural fat reducer that in the past several years has been demonstrating that it will reduce fat and not tear down the body or leave big, flabby rolls of skin and wrinkles. This method is the famous Marmola prescription, which is now prepared in tablet form to meet the demands of fat people in the summer and to enable them at all times to take their fat reducer after each meal. One of these tablets taken after each meal will only stop producing fat in the body, but they reduce flesh at the rate of from 12 to 15 ounces a day. They are harmless and do nothing but assist nature to give to the body the nourishment it requires. They are sold at all drug stores, price 75 cents, or you may write The Marmola Company, 246 Farmer Bldg., Detroit, Mich.

COSTLY HOME GIVEN TO HOUSE KEEPER

Charles M. Yates Alleged to Have Been Unduly Influenced by Woman

Son of Paint Manufacturer Seeks to Annul Deed to San Jose Property

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

SAN JOSE, Aug. 18.—That his father, Charles M. Yates, a paint manufacturer of San Francisco, was induced to part with the title to a beautiful country home near San Jose, including 50 acres of land, through influence brought to bear upon him by Lizzie Imogene Keyes, a woman who had for a number of years been house keeper for the elder Yates, is one of the allegations made in a complaint filed today in this county by Charles M. Yates Jr., who is seeking to set the deed aside.

The property involved is situated at Homestead road and is one of the most beautiful country homes in this vicinity. It is valued at between \$50,000 and \$60,000 and has been on record in the name of Mrs. Keyes since March, 1909.

With the evident intention of making doubly sure that Mrs. Keyes would get the property, Yates not only deeded the home to his house keeper, but provided in his will that it should go to her. Along with the deed was given to her a half interest in the residue of the estate after a settlement of the affairs had been reached. Just how valuable this interest has proved to be cannot be told from the records of Santa Clara, but it is understood that it is no small sum.

Mrs. Keyes is charged with using her influence for a number of years to have both Charles and his brother Eugene, Cedar Rapids, Council Bluffs, North Platte, Laramie, Green River, Ogden, Monticello, Battle Mountain, Reno, Sacramento, and San Francisco.

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ARMY OFFICER'S WIFE LOSSES VALUABLE GEMS

Jewels Valued at \$1,200 Either Lost or Stolen

The wife of Major W. M. Wright of the Eighth infantry, Monterey, has reported to the police the loss of \$1,200 worth of jewelry. Major Wright and his wife left the Palace hotel about 8 o'clock Wednesday night to go to the Columbia theater.

They boarded a Geary street car, remaining on the outside. After leaving the theater, Mrs. Wright discovered that her purse, containing a diamond pendant and a diamond and emerald ring, was missing.

Whether it was taken from her on the car or whether she lost it on the way or in the theater, she could not say.

The police were notified, and Detectives McGowan and Behan were detailed on the case.

CORNER BEEF 'O. K.' BUT TOOTH IS NOT

Neither Is Dog's Paw Welcome Article of Diet to Irate Southerners

Uncle Sam's Food Inspection Bureau Is Hot on Trail of Packing House

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

NEW ORLEANS, Aug. 18.—Closely following the discovery of a dog's paw in a can of preserved tongue opened by Philip Vresinski, a merchant of Jackson, La., formal complaint was made today to the United States food inspection bureau by Francis Doyle of 518 Philip street, this city, that he found a human tooth in a can of corned beef bearing the label of the same Chicago packing house mentioned in Vresinski's letter to Prof. E. L. McGee, chemist in charge of the government laboratory.

Doyle's discovery was made exhibit A—the tooth itself, it is evidently from a man who was equipped with molars of unusual size. The edges are rounded as though the tooth had slid through a meat grinding machine. Vresinski's letter was forwarded yesterday to the chief inspector of the pure food bureau in Washington.

Professor McGee has demanded that the Jackson merchant return to New Orleans the case of canned goods under suspicion, in order that a chemical analysis may be made.

Until its contents are tested nothing official will be given out. Professor McGee said the name of the Chicago packing house was mentioned in Vresinski's letter, but declined to tell it until it has been legally established that the concern is criminally negligent.

Inspection Inadequate

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—Dr. A. D. Melvin, chief of the bureau of animal industry, who has charge of all the inspectors in the packing houses, will not be astonished if the report from Jackson, La., that a merchant in that place had found the paw of a dog in a can of tongue proves true.

If it is true, he will know that some employe placed the paw there, thinking to get his employer into trouble. If, after Doctor McGee's report is received here, it is discovered that the Jackson man really found a paw, Doctor Melvin will order a rigid inquiry.

An employe could put into a can almost anything he wished, because the meat inspection force is not large enough to watch each individual.

\$10 LOST BET PLUS \$10 FINE MAKE \$20

Victim of Speed and Police Says It's Pretty Tough

Horace W. Ash, a chauffeur, made a bet with a friend Wednesday night that he could drive from Mason and Market street to the ferry in seven minutes. The money was put up and Ash started off at full speed. As he passed Sansome street a policeman ordered him to stop and placed him under arrest for speeding.

Ash appeared before Police Judge Conlan yesterday, but his plea that he was speeding to win a bet had no effect, and he was convicted and fined \$10.

"It's pretty tough," remarked Ash. "I have to pay the fine and also lose my bet of \$10."

ANCIENT ALLIES IN CLOSER BOND

France Accepts Statue of Washington as Gift From American State

Impressive Ceremony at Versailles Strengthens Friendship of Two Nations

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

VERSAILLES, France, Aug. 18.—In the Napoleon hall of the chateau of Versailles, in the presence of the French minister of war, General Brun, the French ambassador to the United States, M. Jusserand, and his wife and the American ambassador, Robert Bacon, and Mrs. Bacon, the bronze replica of the Washington monument at Washington in the state house at Richmond, Va., presented by the state of Virginia to the French republic, was today dedicated.

Among those present were the marquis de Lafayette, the members of the French mission which presented to America the statue of Rochambeau, now at Washington, and former United States Senator Nathan B. Scott of West Virginia.

General Brun, who presided, spoke of the statue as the greatest work of the greatest French sculptor of the eighteenth century, Colonel Jean-Baptiste Carpeaux, who, as president of the Virginia commission, delivered the speech of presentation.

State Senators Don P. Halsey and F. W. King of Virginia made addresses on behalf of the state of Virginia.

Ambassador Jusserand, in the absence of the French minister of foreign affairs, M. Pichon, accepted the statue on behalf of the French government. He declared that the friendship of General Washington and of the American people constituted one of the glories of France. It was, therefore, singularly appropriate that this statue, the "third erected on French soil by our ancient allies, should be placed in the palace consecrated to all our glories."

At the request of the state of Virginia a list of the American officers and soldiers who fought in the revolution was sealed in the pedestal of the statue, the marquis de Saguz, whose ancestors fought with the Americans during the revolution performing the ceremony.

RAINBOW, CANADIAN NAVY NUCLEUS, SAILS

Armored Cruiser Departs From Portsmouth for Esquimaux

PORTSMOUTH, Eng., Aug. 18.—The cruiser Rainbow, one of the ships purchased by the dominion of Canada from Great Britain to form the nucleus of a Canadian navy, sailed today from Portsmouth for Esquimaux. The Rainbow, which is a second class cruiser of 3,500 tons displacement, carrying two 6 inch guns and six of 4.7 inches, carries a full staff of instructors loaned by the British navy.

INQUEST OVER WRECK VICTIMS POSTPONED

[Special Dispatch to The Call]

PETALUMA, Aug. 18.—Petaluma folks, who lost members of their family in the wreck on the Northwestern Pacific on August 8, were today notified that the inquest set for today at San Rafael was postponed to next week. No reason was given.

Advertising Talks
Retailer and consumer should be very close together, because each is dependent upon the other; the retailer must sell his goods to make a living, the consumer must buy his goods to live.
The consumer is willing to be convinced, but the retailer must prove his case. Take an arbitrary stand, and let it be widely known that you sell only the best goods, and you are bound to attract the attention of and convince the consumer that you are worthy of his custom. Price is, of course, important, but service and satisfaction are the first considerations. You can win the regard of a greater number of people by selling good rather than cheap merchandise.
A following of pleased and steady customers who know that whatever they buy from you is the best their money can buy will mean better and bigger profits to you than all the sales of cheap and underpriced goods you could hold.
Let it be known that your prices are based on absolute values, but talk service and guaranteed satisfaction to all of the people all of the time, and make good every word you say. You will win your customers, never fear, because the people do not want cheap goods.
Mr. Merchant, our advertising columns are open to you, the services of our Advertising Department are at your disposal for better advertising, our 62,000 circulation puts you in touch with 62,000 homes in the state.
We've an Advertising Service which will help your business. It is written and illustrated by men of wide knowledge of retail merchandising. Phone Kearny 86—our Advertising Manager will call.

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Arm Chair \$12
The Rocker \$12.50
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Here is a splendid matched living-room set, and it is priced far below the real market value. It possesses the quality that makes the real bargain. Let us tell you how it is made; the picture tells how it looks. The frames, which are just as heavy as the picture shows them, are made of solid quarter-sawn oak—fumed finish—you know the rich nut brown color that does not conceal the pretty grain of the wood.
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It is about a year and a half since we first put the price of Axminster rugs down to \$20. These rugs have made us a host of friends, for the rugs are as right as the price. Possibly YOU haven't bought one; so let us tell you about them again.
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