

EMPLOYEES OF PACKING HOUSES VOTE FOR STRIKE

STATE'S ATTORNEY DISMISSES TRUE BILLS AGAINST WHITE SOX

REFUSAL OF COURT TO
CONTINUE CASES
CAUSES MOVE

OTHERS LAID OVER

PROFESSIONAL GAMBLERS WHO
ARRAIGNED 1919 CONSPIRACY
MAY YET FACE TRIAL—TO
SEEK NEW TRUE BILLS FOR
LATER PROSECUTIONS.

Chicago, March 17.—The state today dropped the cases against all the white sox players indicted for throwing the 1919 world series, except Chick Chandler. The action was taken after Judge Dever had refused to grant a continuance of more than sixty days in the case, when the state asked six months to gather evidence, which it would be used in prosecuting the defendants. State's Attorney Crowe said new indictments would be sought.

The cases which were dropped were those against players Cy Williams, Joe Jackson, Buck Weaver, Happy Felsch, Chas. Riden, Eddie Ciochon and Fred McMillen.

The cases of Gaudin, Hal Chase, R. Brown, Joseph Sullivan, Abe Attel and Bill Burns were stricken off the call by Judge Dever. They were charged with being the men who arranged the conspiracy at Cincinnati in 1919.

Taking the cases off the call prevents calling them up again in less than six months.

Corrupt in Corruption.

Mr. Crowe, in his announcement that the cases were dropped, said that he was convinced that a crime had been committed, but that corruption of the state's principal witnesses made it impossible to go on with the case. "Joe Jackson, Eddie Ciochon and Claude Williams, the men were confessed to the grand jury have been corrupted," he declared. "With their evidence available we would have a clean cut case against those men and be sure of obtaining convictions. Without their evidence our case is hopeless."

"This case is not finished, however, and these men have not escaped punishment. We are going right after the evidence that will convict and we know where to get it."

"When this evidence has been procured I shall personally go before the grand jury and seek new indictments. And there will be no mistakes next time."

PERU SOLDIER LOSES MEMORY

Peru, Ill., March 17.—The aid of the Red Cross and other agencies here today was enlisted in an effort which is being made to solve a mystery surrounding a man whose name is believed to be John J. Walker, of Waikanae, and who was formerly a marine corps lieutenant. A card in the man's pocket when he was found wandering about Ligon, his memory is complete blank, but the investigation to the Twin Cities. This card has the label of a Peru printing establishment and was a campaign card issued for Otto W. Holtz, a candidate in the recent primary in La Salle.

Attached to the card was a note which reads:

"You seem different now Jack than you was in the service. Come and see my folks and me. Billy."

The man, it has been established, entered service June 2, 1917, and was discharged as second lieutenant, sixth marine, Sept. 1, 1920. His lapse of memory is complete and the only point on which he seems positive is that he has a friend named "Billy Yates" and believed he has seen him recently.

DR. FRANK GUNSAULAS EXPIRES SUDDENLY

Chicago, March 17.—Dr. Frank Gunsaulas, noted educator and writer and since 1892 president of the American Institute of Technology, died suddenly here at his home, following a severe heart attack early this morning. Physicians were hastily summoned but were unable to give relief to the patient who died two hours later.

Marriage Licenses.

Edward J. Greenwald, 27, Ottawa, Helen M. Klein, 22, St. Louis.

LAYS BARE GIRL'S SOUL TO TAKE SLAP AT OTTAWA "HICKS"

CHICAGO TRIBUNE, CONSISTENT
WITH ITS EVERY DAY POLICY,
SPEAKS OUT OF TURN, ONLY
ADDING TO RUIN OF DEFENSE-
LESS YOUNG WOMAN THIS
TIME.

The Chicago Tribune this morning in a brazenly transparent attempt to confuse a lot of "hick town" not with 9 stories containing some human interest but not very much of it, lays the soul of an Ottawa girl bare before the scandal devouring public.

Were it not for the opportunity to trot out the heart throbs, which come from the ancient time-worn formula, such as "small town" and "quiet, poky little home city" written into anything relating to communities lesser in size than the world's biggest "jay town" up by the lake, the girl's story would still be here and here alone.

Ottawa, with its thousands of cultured and highly educated people, can stand the spooning of some journalistic whippersnapper without complaint, but when it comes to exploitation of a girl's misstep in that connection, it rises up in righteous wrath. The story is that old, old one, of a maid led astray by a man. There is nothing new about it. The first misstep spelled her ruin.

Fearing best her plight become known, she locked her secret tight in her heart and suffered alone, without help or aid to console in that ever-sweeping grief. Finally the baby came. It was found dead in her room five days after birth, while she, the Tribune says, "the mother was at work."

No attempt has been made to show that death was from anything but natural causes.

The girl, coming from a large family, is the sister of a boy who, during the war, gave his life for Old Glory. Her many years in Ottawa were marked by straight living. If anything claimed her it was that big, ugly jay village, just this side of the west bank of Lake Michigan. "Small town girl" and "the quiet, poky little home city" were not "the first things for the early chapter."

Morality has not been known in years gone by as one of Chicago's particular virtues. The present general trend, it might be added, is not toward improvement. The girl's misfortune could not be traced, of course, to a man's desert, or the complete loss of existence (it can't be called life) in the so-called "big city." That would be too near the truth for the Tribune to admit.

While doubtless everyone in the Ottawa "hamlet" knows the girl's name by this writing, the Free Trader-Journal hopes there are some who don't want the story carried on until it reaches every ear and every eye, by this paper's additions to the young woman's public plight.

The "hick town" stuff in that space filler of today's has left in its wake a wide and utterly deplorable trail of sorrow.

It was a needless thing in a useless place.

COMPLETE SURVEY FOR DEEP WATERWAY

The surveyors who have been working on the deep waterway proposition have completed their preliminary work at Starved Rock and Marquette and the morning went to Morris where some work is yet to be done. There is practically nothing new in the waterway situation, except the progress that is being made at Belle Island, between Marquette and Ottawa by the contractors working on the excavation for the big lock. The completion suits, pending in the county court, will be heard within a short time now. The suits are for the purpose of acquiring title to certain pieces of land at Starved Rock and near Marquette. It is believed that after the disposition of these matters by the court there will be another early effort made by the state authorities to obtain bids for the construction of the big Starved Rock dam.

Sure and We're all Irish This Day



WED AND DIVORCED, ALL IN LESS THAN ONE YEAR'S STRETCH

MARSEILLES WOMAN WAS BRIDE
IN APRIL, 1920—APRIL, 1921,
FINDS HER DIVORCEE BY OR-
DER OF CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE
DAVIS.

Mrs. Joseph Fitzpatrick of Marquette was a principal in 1920 in an April wedding. Yesterday Mrs. Fitzpatrick was principal in a divorce hearing in the circuit court. After hearing her testimony Judge Davis signed a decree granting her marital freedom from Joe Fitzpatrick, who is employed on the deep waterway.

Mrs. Fitzpatrick told the court that she and the defendant were wedded April 6, 1920, and that on many occasions during their brief married life she struck and slapped her own face, coloring her arms to purple. One of these attacks, she alleged, occurred on Dec. 11 at the home of her parents in Marquette.

Her suit was started Feb. 27, at that time she secured an injunction prohibiting the defendant from interfering with her.

Boy Thought Delinquent.

A petition was filed in the circuit court this morning asking that Boston Studebaker, a 14-year-old boy living at 102 North Fourth street, Starved Rock, be declared delinquent. The petition, which was filed by Mrs. Joseph Wagner, the probation officer, states that the mother of the child is dead and his father, Charles Studebaker, is living in Bensenville. Go Mrs. Wagner claims that the boy is living with H. M. Studebaker, who is unable to properly discipline him.

PRESIDENT WANTS DEBS' CASE REVIEWED

Washington, March 17.—President Harding has asked Attorney General Daugherty to review the case of Eugene V. Debs, socialist presidential candidate in 1920, and now serving sentence under the espionage act in Atlanta prison.

French Communists Freed.

Paris, March 17.—The ten communist leaders charged with plotting to overthrow the government with the stories of last May, were acquitted today.

COURT ORDERS CLARA'S ATTORNEYS TO MAKE CLOSING ARGUMENTS

Armonia, Okla., March 17.—An order of the district court to waive their right of argument and have the case of Clara Smith Hagen on trial for the murder of Col. James L. Hagen, republican national committee man from Oklahoma and millionaire oil and railroad man, go immediately to the jury, was ruled out by Judge Champion this morning and defense counsel began its plea for acquittal of the defendant.

Joe Ben Champion, twin brother of the judge, opened for the defense. With the announced plans of both state and defense it appeared the next day might be taken up with arguments and the case actually be given to the jury late today.

PATIENTS TAX ANNEX ALMOST TO CAPACITY

For the first time since the opening of the new King annex of the Indiana memorial hospital all private rooms of the institution are filled to capacity. There is but very little word space left. The announcement that the annex is almost filled to capacity was made this morning by Sgt. Miss Jessie L. Horn.

According to Miss Horn, forty patients under the care of physicians are now confined at the hospital. All private rooms are being used, and even the public wards are filled practically to capacity, although they are not overcrowded and if necessary it is possible that the number of patients could be increased to at least fifty by giving them quarters in the wards.

Miss Horn stated that the average for the month of March, 1921, so far has proven higher than any other year.

ROB COAL MINE OF GASOLINE STORES

Des Moines, last night robbers raided the Parsons and Armstrong mines in Livingston county, near Starved Rock, and stole gasoline and coal worth \$100. The robbers made their getaway in an auto after shooting two men in the head and wounding one. The three or four men were in a small machine.

The mine is run by County Superintendent of Highways George Parsons and Otto Armstrong of this city. The matter was reported to Sheriff Viers today, and a search was made for the thieves. The car was removed from a log storage tank in a five gallon can which was on the premises.

REALTY DEALER IS GIVEN \$100 FEE BY CIRCUIT COURT JURY

W. B. PUSEY WINS COURT SUIT
BROUGHT AGAINST TOBIAS N.
VARLAND—CASE GREW OUT OF
FARM DEAL IN WOICH REAL-
TOR CLAIMED \$1,000 COMMIS-
SION.

W. B. Pusey was awarded a \$100 verdict for making a deal for the sale of a 142 acre farm south of Ottawa owned by Tobias N. Varland, for a jury in the circuit court this morning. Mr. Pusey brought suit against Mr. Varland to collect a \$1,000 fee. He alleged that he secured a purchaser for the land, and was all ready to close the deal when Mr. Varland refused to comply with his part of the contract, or to pay him his fee.

The case went to trial Tuesday morning in the circuit court. The plaintiff rested his case yesterday morning and the defendant toward the middle of the afternoon. Closing arguments were completed and the case given to the jury at 5 o'clock.

Six ballots were taken before the jury reached an agreement. The amount of the verdict of the first ballot ranged from \$25 to \$500. It was agreed upon. A second verdict was then returned and the jury allowed to return to their homes until today. The verdict was opened in court at 10 o'clock today.

Peter A. Maass, a well known farmer, testified yesterday that he purchased from Mr. Pusey to purchase the farm and thought for a time he had bought it, but that Mr. Varland would back in the deal.

Open \$3,000 Damage Suit.

The \$3,000 damage suit brought by Samuel J. Skinner against the heirs of the late James S. Duffy went on trial before Judge Davis in the circuit court this morning. The case was started to collect wages for farm labor alleged by the plaintiff to be due him for work done on the Duffy farm near Udon.

The defendants are Mary E. Duffy, Charles Duffy, Walter Duffy, Clarence Duffy, Mrs. Marie Thum and Mrs. Florence C. Duffy. Attorneys L. W. Brewer and A. E. Butters are representing the plaintiff and Attorney James J. Conway and Elmer E. Roberts represent the defendants.

LARGE MAJORITY IN FAVOR OF FIGHTING WAGE REDUCTIONS

Chicago, March 17.—Reports of the strike vote taken at middle west branches of the five big packing companies, continued to arrive at union headquarters here today and it was understood that they indicated a large majority in favor of a strike. Full power to call the walkout was placed yesterday in the hands of Dennis Lane, secretary-treasurer of the Amalgamated Order of Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen, and Redmond S. Brennan, counsel for the union, at a meeting of the heads of the other unions involved in trades employed at the stockyards.

ALIENATION, HEART BALM CASES PLACED ON COURT CALENDAR

THREE "HIGHLY INTERESTING"
SUITS ARE PROMISED "LOUNG-
ERS" DURING NEXT WEEK—
SPICY CALL IS POSTED TODAY.

The circuit court promises to be an interesting place next week, provided the breach of promise suit and the two alienation of affection suits scheduled to be heard are brought up for trial. Judge Davis today set a calendar of fourteen cases which will be called for a hearing before a jury next week in place of the Zupancich murder case, which was disposed of yesterday when the defendant waived a trial and entered a plea of guilty to the crime of manslaughter.

The first case on the calendar is the \$10,000 breach of promise suit which Miss Lillian Brann of Lestart brought against Hurdie Sparks, a young farmer residing near Lestart. This suit was started Feb. 21, 1921. The plaintiff claims that a month before she married another girl.

The fifth case on the trial list is the \$5,000 damage suit brought by Edward Kneifel of Lestart, street against William H. Knoll, a prominent Fall River township farmer. Kneifel alleges that Knoll alienated the affections of his wife, Rachel Kneifel.

Following that the \$10,000 suit brought by Mike Rohmich of Streator against George Tullio of the same city is scheduled to be heard. Rohmich claims that Tullio stole from him the love of his wife, Mrs. Susie Rohmich.

The cases set for hearing next week and the order in which they will be called are as follows:
Brann vs. Sparks,
Polter vs. Cleveland,
Loretto vs. director general,
Tomball vs. Chase Threshing company,
Stratton vs. Hinton,
O'Donnell vs. Knoll,
Rohmich vs. Tullio,
Kneifel vs. Knoll,
Bowers vs. M. G. & S. Co.,
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HOUSE REFUSES TO REVAMP RENT LAW

Springfield, March 17.—Before adjourning today until next Monday the house refused to recede from its action amending the Duiley building law resolution to include an investigation of rent conditions. The resolution now goes to conference. An attempt by Rep. Bifus of Chicago, to take the backbone out of the civil service law for Illinois cities met defeat in the house committee.

BAR SOLDIERS FROM BOSTON IRISH PARADE

Washington, March 17.—Action of army and navy officers in refusing to permit American troops to participate in an evacuation day parade at Boston in which Irish freedom advocates are in charge was formally approved today by President Harding after a conference with Secretary Hughes of the state department and Secretary Weeks of the war department.

DIG FOR BODIES OF ENTOMBED MINERS

Dayville, Ill., March 17.—Rescue teams started work here today to recover the bodies of the seven men who were trapped by fire in the Kath-fern mine on Feb. 25 last. It was expected several days would elapse before the bodies could be reached.

REPORT SOVIETS RETAKE KRONSTADT

Riga, March 17.—The Russian mission here asserted today that Bolsheviks captured Kronstadt from the revolutionaries Wednesday night.

BONAR LAW QUILTS BRITISH CABINET

London, March 17.—Lord A. Bonar Law today resigned from the British cabinet owing to ill health.

Vote Confidence in Briand.

Paris, March 17.—The French deputies today gave Premier Briand a vote of confidence today on the London reparations decision.