

com'n report is the testimony of a girl of the redlight district. She worked in a State street store when she was 17. The manager of her department became fascinated with her. He invited her out to dinner. Because he was an official of the store she accepted. He induced her to drink. She woke up in a loop hotel the next day. Then, disgusted, she went to the bad.

And now in Chicago today we find the following story, carefully suppressed by the newspaper trust by use of the advertising club:

Miss Sadie Weisbaum, 16, 2515 N. Mozart, caused the arrest of Isaac Neuman, dep't mgr., Rothschild's, on a charge of attacking her in a loop hotel after a cabaret tour.

The story sounded like an echo of the old vice reports. It was investigated. It was found that Sadie Weisbaum, a pretty little school girl, had left school and secured a position at Rothschild's department store at \$5 a week, and there met Isaac Neuman, sup't of deliveries of the store. The other girls noticed that Neuman paid particular attention to the "new girl"; that they often saw them talking together, the man insistent and bold, the girl smiling and blushing. The next thing heard at the store was the humored arrest of Neuman on a serious charge.

The girl, just turned 16, with the school-girl light in her eyes fading through the memory of her experience with Neuman, has determined that the man she accuses must suffer. She will not sit back and allow him to go free, even though the publicity hurts.

In this she is backed by her relatives, including John S. Berger, an aeroplane promoter, 2716 Hirsch blvd. But he is fighting against strong foes. It is peculiar that Chas. V. Barrett, brother of Circuit Court Judge George Barrett, who acts as attorney for the State Street Retail Merchants' ass'n in prosecuting shoplifters, is also attorney for Neu-

man. Sadie Weisbaum's relatives take this an indication that Neuman is being backed by the department store.

The case first came before Judge Fisher in the morals court. On account of the youth of the girl, the charge was changed to "contributing to the delinquency of a minor" and the case was transferred to Judge Steik of the court of domestic relations. There Att'y Barrett became so aggressive in his attempts to have the case thrown out of court that he was threatened with contempt by Judge Steik.

The sensation caused by the arrest and the Steik-Barrett clash was so great that the City News bureau sent almost a column on the story to the seven members of the advertising-controlled newspaper, the Tribune, Herald, Examiner, American, News, Journal and Post. The story was killed. The Trib one morning ran a short paragraph, carefully buried away, where it wouldn't be too closely observed.

The girl charges that Neuman made love to her through golden promises, and then invited her to dinner and the theater. The dinner came off. There were drinks, trips to cabarets, etc. The girl was stupefied. She says she dimly remembers that he attacked her first in a taxicab. When she came to her senses they were in a room in Harry Molr's Hotel Morrison. She had been undressed.

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Washington.—Sen. Owens offered joint resolution providing any federal judge who declares an act passed by congress unconstitutional be found guilty of judicial usurpation and removed, successor to be appointed by the president.

Philadelphia.—Former Judge Gray of Delaware refused to speak at a meeting of protest against German deportation of Belgians because the speaker who preceded him, James M. Reck, criticized Pres. Wilson.