

LAWYERS AGREE TO DELAY WILCOX CASE

Action in Circuit Court Rides Over Kage's Acquittal.

Two of the cases pending in the Circuit Court against A. D. "Dolly" Wilcox, former cashier of the Bank of Bloomfield, in which he is charged with embezzling funds belonging to the bank, will be delayed till the next term of court when they come up for trial on the docket for the January term.

An arrangement has been made between the attorneys representing Wilcox, Mozley and Woody, and Prosecuting Attorneys Caruthers and Hodge to file a stipulation or agreement to postpone the trial of the two cases.

But two of the embezzlement cases on the Circuit Court docket will be tried, the third having been dismissed by Attorney Hodge.

Wilcox was acquitted of the alleged embezzlement when tried before Justice of the Peace Kage, the Mayor having announced his decision in the case Monday.

Information, however, had been filed in the Circuit Court at Jackson bringing actions on the same counts there as were brought before the Justice of the Peace Court. These informations were filed by Prosecuting Attorney Caruthers a few days after the warrants for Wilcox's arrest were issued by Judge Willer last fall, in connection with his trial in the Justice of the Peace Court.

The cases that will be tried against Wilcox charge that he cashed two checks aggregating more than \$1,000 against the Bank of Bloomfield at the First National Bank in the Cape. The checks were cashed three years ago last fall.

Actions were brought in the Circuit Court in Stoddard County against Wilcox on these cases, which were appealed to the Supreme Court where they were reversed.

When Mayor Kage gave his decision, he cited as one contributory reason that the statute of limitations had run upon the charges.

Caruthers yesterday declared that informations had been filed against Wilcox last fall in plenty of time to be within the statute and in addition, he declared that the statute of limitations did not operate in the Wilcox case three years after the date after the checks were cashed.

Charges had been preferred, the cases were tried and stood in the Supreme Court. All the time that suits were pending, Caruthers said, would be subtracted from the three year period, which would have the effect of extending the period in which actions could be brought by the extent of time that the suits were pending in any court.

In this way, the statute has not nearly run its course in these cases, Caruthers declares.

MIKE SULLIVAN REPORTED ALIVE AND IN COLLINSVILLE

News Item from Home of His Wife's Parents Says Mike and His Wife are Visiting There.

Evidence strengthening the belief by his friends that Mike Sullivan did not commit suicide by jumping into the river at St. Louis as he declared in suicide letters he intended to do, has been brought out through the publication in a St. Louis newspaper Sunday of a Collinsville social item.

The item said that Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Sullivan were visiting Mr. and Mrs. August Talenski, Mrs. Sullivan's parents. Mike is supposed to have killed himself about 10 days ago.

A newspaper in Glenn Falls, New York, Mike's former home, also declares that his relatives there have heard from him.

None of Mrs. Sullivan's most intimate friends in the Cape have heard from her since she visited here shortly after her husband's disappearance, and if she has found him and they are visiting at her parent's home, she has never said a word to people in the Cape.

Following his disappearance, it has become known that A. M. Tinsley, to whom Mr. Sullivan owed considerable money, has had an investigation made of the circumstances of his disappearance that may uncover more data that will lead to his actual discovery.

SNOW FIRST TIME IN 20 YEARS.

Laredo, Texas, Dec. 28.—Snow fell for an hour today at Dolores, Texas, 22 miles northwest of here. A few flakes fell here, for the first time in more than 20 years. The temperature was 30 above zero.

Aolis Barenkamp has returned to St. Louis, after spending Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Barenkamp of Broadway.

ROY JAYNES GETS A BRIDE FOR HIS X-MAS PRESENT

Weds Miss Agnes Stone and Planned Secret, But He Couldn't Keep It.

HE INFORMS FRIENDS WHO TELL THE TRIBUNE

Popular Couple Have Been Court- ing Since School Days—Bride a Beauty.

Commodore Roy Jaynes, son of Capt. and Mrs. A. C. Jaynes, is a benedict. He was married secretly Christmas Eve to Miss Agnes Stone, the pretty daughter of an Illinois farmer.

The marriage, which was intended to have been kept a secret until next March, became known yesterday among the friends of the bridegroom, through a confession Commodore Jaynes made to some of his closest associates.

The ceremony was performed by Mayor Kage at the home of Mrs. John Franck, a sister of the bride, who lives on North Henderson avenue. "Baker" Koepfel, the automobile man, was employed by Commodore Jaynes early Friday afternoon.

"Now, I want you to take a party out for several hours, but what transpires must be kept a secret until next March," said Jaynes to Koepfel. "If you can keep a secret that long, I'll make it worth your while."

"I can keep anything that long," replied Koepfel, and the river man presented Koepfel with a crisp \$10 bill.

Commodore Jaynes climbed into the machine and directed the chauffeur to go to 215 Bellevue avenue, the home of Miss Stone. Jaynes leaped from the machine dashed into the house, and a short time later, he appeared with Miss Stone, who resembled the first flower of spring.

"Now go to Mayor Kage's office at once," commanded the Commodore, and after two honks of the horn, the machine came to a stop in front of the Mayor's office. The executive had been notified in advance, and he stepped from his office just as the machine appeared.

A moment later the party were headed for Jackson and the tooting of the machine gave them the right-of-way at every corner. The marriage license was obtained in record time and the return trip was begun. Upon returning to this city, they drove to the home of Mrs. Franck on North Henderson avenue, where the preliminary arrangements for the wedding had been prepared.

Mayor Kage requested the young couple to step forward and he said the ceremony while Commodore Jaynes and his bride stood beneath two miniature cupids that hung from the ceiling.

"Now, Mr. Mayor, we want you to help us keep this matter a secret until next March," said Mr. Jaynes to the executive as soon as he had concluded the ceremony.

"I'll not say a word," replied the Mayor and he didn't.

The bridegroom told his bride that he would drop downtown and mingle with his friends for a short time so they would not suspect anything out of the ordinary.

After a nervous half hour with "the boys," he hurried back to the Franck home, to enjoy the wedding supper with his bride, her family and Mayor Kage.

At the usual hour that night, Commodore Jaynes appeared at the home of his parents. Capt. and Mrs. Jaynes remained ignorant of the fact that their son had played the leading role in one of the most romantic weddings that had occurred in this city this year.

The next morning, Mrs. Jaynes presented her son with a number of Christmas presents, and wished him a "merry, merry Christmas."

"It certainly will be a merry one for me," he replied and the smile that beamed over his face aroused her suspicion.

"Why, what do you mean, Roy?" she asked.

Commodore Jaynes looked about him to make sure that there were no eavesdroppers near. Then he confided the secret to his mother after she had promised not to reveal it until next March.

When he left his parent's home that morning, he was whistling like a thrush in May.

Christmas day was spent with Mrs. Roy Jaynes, and both complimented each other upon the fact that the announcement of their marriage was not reported in The Tribune.

That evening, the bridegroom revealed his marriage to several friends, but bound them to secrecy. They retold it, but, of course, with the under-

HIST! POLICE BEGIN PEACE NEGOTIATIONS

Chief Hutson Calls Meeting And Makes A Speech On Need For Harmony.

Chief of Police Hutson yesterday afternoon poured some oil on the troubled water in the police force. The "oil" was in the nature of salve, or, conversation.

Chief Hutson is being accused of making a pet of Patrolman Beeve. The other policemen object to Beeve being permitted to sleep and play pool in the Elks Club while they are forced to walk beats. The policemen feel that if Chief Hutson is willing to permit Beeve to sleep in the Elks Club and draw a salary for it, he ought to make arrangements for the other men to take a nap in the popular club now and then. They prefer rainy nights, it is said.

Mr. Hutson is anxious, he says, that the men work in harmony. In order to bring this condition about, he summoned Patrolmen Beeve, Groce, Talley, and Whitener to the courthouse yesterday afternoon for a tete-a-tete, or in other words, a peace meeting.

Chief Hutson invited Mayor Kage to be present, and he came. Each policeman was asked to state how he felt. Three out of the four informed the mayor that they had been ignored by the chief for weeks at a time.

Mr. Hutson diplomatically stated that he wanted peace. He occupied about the same position that Henry Ford has in Europe. In other words, he was merely drifting.

When the policemen were excused, the question of how one policeman is permitted to sleep on duty while the others work, remained as much of a mystery as it was to the three policemen when they filed into the courthouse for the conference.

"I suppose each policeman will soon be compelled to carry a set of tiddle-de-winks while on duty," said one of patrolmen last night.

HARRY NAETER TO WED SCHOOL TEACHER TODAY

Newspaperman and Bride Will Spend Their Honeymoon in Chicago—To Return Sunday.

Harry Naeter, one of the editors of the Republican, and Miss Lucile Settle, a teacher in the public schools, will be married at 11 o'clock today in St. Louis. The ceremony will be performed at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Settle.

Following the ceremony, the couple will depart for Chicago, where they will spend their honeymoon. They expect to reach the Cape Sunday afternoon. As Mrs. Naeter will continue teaching until her present term is finished, they will board until spring.

The bride is a graduate of the Normal School, and her parents formerly lived in this section of the state.

Mr. Naeter was accompanied to St. Louis by his sister, Miss Nora Naeter, who will be present at the ceremony.

INCREASE IN MISSOURI RAILROAD RATES SUSPENDED

State Commission Holds Up Order Effective Jan. 1, till March 1 to Hear Appeal.

Jefferson City, Dec. 28.—The Public Service Commission today suspended its order increasing railroad rates from Jan. 1, when they were to have become effective, until March 1.

This action was taken as a result of the motions for rehearings of the case filed by the roads yesterday.

A date will be set within the next week or two for the filing of briefs and argument by attorneys so that the roads may publish the new schedules 30 days before March 1.

standing that it would not be repeated, and within twenty-four hours later, his friends knew that Commodore Roy Jaynes had been saved from bachelorhood.

Commodore Jaynes and his bride have known each other since childhood. They were born on adjoining farms, just across the river, and attended school together.

The friendship that sprang up between them in youth has never been permitted to wane. During the several years that they have lived in the Cape, they have been seen in each other's company almost constantly. She was employed in the local telephone office for several years, but recently has been working in the shoe factory. He has been operating his father's barge.

The young couple have a host of friends in this city and in Illinois. The bride is a pretty auburn haired woman just out of her teens. Her bridegroom is just a few years her senior. They are planning to go to housekeeping within the next few days.

LATEST STEPS ARE DANCED AT U. D. C. BALL

Young Cape Society Folks Fun Begins As Midnight Draws Nigh.

AFFAIR BEGAN 30 YEARS AGO IN CAPE

Confederate Banners, Stars And Stripes And Southern Moss Are Decorations.

The strains of the latest dance music—the one-steps, the walks, the "side-steps", the trots and the circle—last night filled the Elks Club as the young society people of the Cape danced at the annual ball of the local chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

The U. D. C. ball is considered Southeast Missouri's most fashionable social event and sets the pace for the remainder of the season. The members of the chapter who were in charge of the dance last night out-did themselves. The ball was a success from virtually every viewpoint.

A hundred men and women attended in spite of the fact that early in the evening a drizzling rain started that was well calculated to dampen the ardor of those at the dance.

The ball-room was splendidly decorated with white and green streamers and the banners of the Confederacy as well as the Stars and Stripes together with banners and colors of the chapter in charge of the affair, were artistically arranged at various places in the rooms.

Last night's ball was about the thirtieth of its kind. The first U. D. C. ball was given in 1885 in the courthouse, at the time the organization was formed in Missouri to build the Higginsville Home for Confederate Soldiers.

The Cape Girardeau chapter first was organized as a memorial chapter and immediately began raising funds to contribute toward the construction of the soldier's home. The annual ball at Christmas time was started.

The court furnishings were removed from the room that now is Judge Ranney's Court, the ball room fittings moved in, and the men and women in their quaint old costumes took possession.

A few matrons who were members of the chapter at that time still tell in the Cape of the good times the girls had at that first dance.

They had no better time than did the young women last night. The music was as good as may be obtained in this corner of the state and no better dancers may be found anywhere.

A feature of the decorations in the ball room was a supply of Southern moss that was sent to the Cape from Florida especially for the U. D. C. ball, by Mrs. E. A. Hayden, a member of the local chapter of the order, who last fall removed to Florida.

The officers of the chapter which is responsible for the ball are: Mrs. W. H. Harvey, president; Mrs. R. J. Wright, vice-president; Mrs. John T. Sackman, secretary, and Mrs. E. W. Ealy, treasurer.

Mrs. Iska Carmack was chairman of the committee that prepared the tickets, programmes and made arrangements for the ballroom and music. Mrs. A. H. Hinchey and Mrs. Edward S. Lilly were in charge of the dainty luncheon that was served about midnight.

Those who were on the receiving line were: Mrs. Harvey, Mrs. Lillie Givens, Mrs. Lilly, Mrs. Craig, Mrs. Iska Carmack, Mrs. Otto Kochitzky and Mrs. A. H. Hinchey.

Among the many guests who were present were: Mary Griffith, Mrs. Iska Carmack, Susie Giboney, Hazel Harrison, Miss Luff, of St. Louis, Phyllis Cairns, Gladys Moll, of St. Louis, Miss Leachman, Rachel Howell, Marie Weber, Marguerite Oliver, Ruth Glenn, Sarah Glenn, Bernice Miller, Mary Lightfoot, of Carbondale, Mary Kochitzky, Mrs. Byrd of St. Louis.

Phil Sinnamon of Dexter, A. M. Tinsley, Lee L. Albert, Arthur Harrison, Robert Harrison, Norman Gaines, Elbert Vogelsanger, Russell McBride, Louis Juden, Magnus Dempsey, A. R. Zoelsman, John F. Lilly, George Merritt, Russell Dearmont, Dr. F. D. Rhodes, Robert Beckman, Russell Deal, Mr. Steck, Leon Bahn, Oliver Edwards, Jack Williams and others.

Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Leming, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lamkin, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Albert, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Oliver, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Wade Kochitzky of Malden, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kochitzky, Jr. of Malden, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Kochitzky, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Hardesty, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hinchey, Mr. and Mrs.

PET RATTLER DINES LIKE SUFFRAGETTE

Prof. Roberts Pokes Dainties Down Snake's Throat Like Ramming a Gun.

Professor H. L. Roberts, expert zoologist and snake-ologist at the Normal School, has given his pet rattlesnake, "Steak," his quarterly meal and as a result, the reptile is squirming and writhing about his cage with a truly Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year spirit.

"Steak" objects to eating voluntarily. Choice morsels, that is to say, morsels that would be choice for a snake, such as living mice, sparrows, and other birds have been placed in "Steak's" cage and they have gone untouched.

He would let a piece of prepared meat rot, the professor remarked in telling of "Steak's" idiosyncrasies.

"When I feed him, I literally stuff him. Many snakes in captivity have to be stuffed, and they are kept alive in that way."

The professor simply grasps the rattler back of the head, pinches hard enough to force the snake's jaws apart and rams the meat down the reptile's throat, much as a Civil War veteran choked shot and powder down his muzzle loader.

The snake always feels grouchy for a short time after having been rammed full of good things to eat.

"He takes it like an English suffragette," the professor said.

Professor Roberts got "Steak" over in Illinois two years ago and in that time he has fed him about 10 times. He always has resented food, since he made the professor's acquaintance and he ever attempted to nip his master with his sharp fangs.

Professor Roberts this last fall got a litter of 10 spreading adders that were hatched out on a school teachers' desk at Oak Ridge. He got the snakes when they were only baby snakes and proposed rearing them in a civilized manner.

They refused to eat and their hunger strike was incontrovertible for the reason that they were too small to stuff. Two of them died, so the professor "pickled" the rest of them and now has the spreading adders on exhibit at the Normal School.

He declares that the spreading adders are harmless, contrary to the impression held by many persons that their bite is deadly poison. They will not bite if given a chance, the professor says.

The adder "plays possum" Professor Roberts declares also. This is a feature of the spreading adder's peculiarities that he learned from experience. The snakes flop over on their backs and play dead with much expertness and they likewise will resist any attempt to roll them back upon their stomachs.

SAYS 3 MEN TRESPASSED.

"Dick" Spaulding Has Negroes Arrested for Hunting on His Farm.

Justice of the Peace W. H. Willer this afternoon will hold the preliminary hearing for three negroes who are charged with hunting on the premises of a farmer who had posted a sign "No Hunting Allowed." And he alleges they intruded upon his land in spite of the sign.

The men were arrested yesterday morning by Deputy Sheriff Seagraves. Two of them, Henry Johnson and Steve Strong, were placed in jail in default of a bond, and the third, Louis Davis, gave a bond of \$100 for his appearance in court.

The warrants against the men were issued by Judge Willer on the complaint of R. O. "Dick" Spaulding, a farmer who lives about three miles west of the Cape on the Bloomfield road. He alleges that the hunting on his land took place several days ago. The two negroes who were placed in jail yesterday denied that they had been on Spaulding's farm.

L. L. Kearns and P. C. Robertson of Chaffee yesterday were business visitors in the Cape.

Miss Georgia Sharp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sharp of South Pacific street, is reported to be seriously ill threatened with pneumonia at her home. Her parents are visiting in Bonne Terre.

Charles Harrison yesterday returned to the Cape from Ste. Genevieve where he spent Christmas with the Rozier family.

Ray Clark has returned from Perryville, where he spent Christmas and Sunday with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Hardesty have returned home from a few days' visit in St. Louis with relatives.

Rev. W. C. Krueger of Gordonville, yesterday afternoon was a business visitor in the Cape.

William A. O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Vandivort of Jackson, and others.

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SOPHIA HARPER FAINTS IN HOTEL

Is Found Unconscious Lying In Corridor—Exertion Is Cause.

Sophia Harper, daughter of former Sheriff Harper of Jackson, last night was found unconscious in one of the corridors of the St. Charles hotel when she suffered an hysterical fainting spell. She was picked up and carried into her room on the third floor of the hotel, where she was revived by a physician who was summoned.

Miss Harper, who is 22 years old, is employed with her sister, Miss Hattie Harper, as a dining room girl at the hotel. Following the completion of her work last night, Miss Harper together with her sister and Miss Ethel Gentry and Mrs. Mollie Brown, who are also employed in the hotel dining room, went to the parlor where they sang several songs and took part in a mutual entertainment.

About 8 o'clock she went upstairs to go to her room. After she had reached the head of the stairs leading to the third floor of the building, the night clerk, Joe Moore, heard her fall to the floor.

Moore ran upstairs and found her lying unconscious in the corridor. He called to the porter to aid him in carrying her into her room where her friends cared for her till the physician arrived.

The doctor said that the attack was induced by over-exertion and Miss Harper had suffered similar attacks on former occasions, her sister said.

Frank Seib, the well-known cigar manufacturer of South Spring street, yesterday left for Illinois, to attend the funeral of his father-in-law, Theodore Goebel, who died recently. Mr. Goebel was 75 years old. Mrs. Seib was unable to go to the funeral on account of the bad weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Cal Watley of Charleston were visitors in the Cape yesterday.

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