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MRS. E. M. DOYLE COLORED WOMAN ASKS DIVORCE; ADMITS THEFT THEN VANISHES TO SAVE "SPECK"

Deserts Husband's home When Sheriff Starts To Serve Papers on Him.

TELLS LAWYERS TO SUPPRESS THE TALE

She Is known As the Best Dresser - Looks And Acts Like Actress.

Mrs. Goida Doyle, wife of E. M. Doyle, proprietor of the Park Theater, yesterday moved her trunks from the home of her husband to the St. Charles Hotel at about the same time that her attorneys, O. A. Knechans and A. M. Spradling, were filing her petition for divorce in the Circuit Court in Jackson.

Her action came as a complete surprise to her husband and his relatives and friends. The general opinion of those who were acquainted with the Doyles was that their life was a continuous honeymoon. She was regarded as one of the best dressed women in the city, and all that money would buy was at her disposal. Her husband, according to those who knew the couple best, wanted her to have all she desired, and there was nothing new in wearing apparel that Mrs. E. M. Doyle failed to get.

Mr. Doyle had hardly learned that his wife had moved her belongings from his home than he was served with a notice of the suit. Deputy Sheriff Summers served the papers.

Attorney Knechans last night declined to discuss the case. He said he had promised Mrs. Doyle that he would not divulge her case to the newspapers, and furthermore would use his influence to keep the facts from the public.

When a reporter for The Tribune called at the St. Charles Hotel last night, he was informed that Mrs. Doyle had "just stepped out with another lady."

Mr. Doyle said last night he was so ignorant of the facts that he could not discuss the case intelligently. He was asleep when Mrs. Doyle and her trunks left the Doyle home for the St. Charles Hotel. His mother awakened him as soon as she learned of her daughter in law's action. A short time later the deputy sheriff served the papers on him. He consulted Judge Edward D. Hays concerning the suit last night, but the lawyer had nothing to say.

Those who knew the Doyles best say they lived happily together. They were seen every day and sometimes several times during the day motoring in the big grey Cole car. During the hours when the theater was open Mr. Doyle and his wife remained together. She always stood guard to the cash drawer. She was on duty at the theater Wednesday night, and they went home together, but her plans were kept from her husband.

Shortly before noon yesterday a transfer man drove up in front of the Doyle home on Themis street, rang the door bell and called for Mrs. Doyle's trunks. Her mother in law responded to the doorbell, and upon learning the driver's mission, told him he had evidently made a mistake. "Go to the next door and you will likely find the trunks there," she said.

At this point Mrs. E. M. Doyle appeared at the head of the stairway and shouted: "You are in the right pew, step in and get the trunks." He obeyed. This was the manner in which the news was broken to the Doyles. And the young woman inserted the necessary number of pins in her hat and departed.

Friends of Mrs. Doyle, in comment on the suit last night, advanced the theory that she was dissatisfied with life in a small town. She had basked in the glare of the footlights before they were wed, and felt a natural longing to return to the stage. Mr. Doyle met his wife while she was an actress in Little Rock, although her home was in Iowa and their marriage took place at the home of her parents in that state.

During her stay in this city she has made many friends. She is a brown eyed auburn haired woman and dress so "stagny."

It was reported yesterday that her attorneys drafted her divorce petition on January 2. It was filed yesterday morning.

Bessie Adams Confesses She Invaded Chicken Roost.

REMORSE PROMPTS HER CONFESSION, SHE SAYS

Testified Against Negro, Who Is Held For Circuit Court.

Following the preliminary hearing of George "Speck" Adams, a negro, before Justice of the Peace Willer yesterday morning on a charge of stealing chickens from John Rouse, Bessie Adams, a colored woman, confessed to the theft. She was arrested and will be tried on the same charge of which "Speck" will be freed. The latter was bound over to the circuit court by Judge Willer.

Bessie was a witness at the preliminary trial and testified that "Speck" had left the house early in the morning and had returned with two chickens. She said she did not know where he had gotten the fowls, or whether he had bought or stolen them. Her mother corroborated this statement, and "Speck" was held by the Justice on the charge of stealing the two chickens.

By comparing the size of the tracks in the snow leading from the Rouse yard to the home of Adams, which is only a block distant, the police yesterday arrived at the conclusion that the theft could not be traced to "Speck." This was the testimony given by Chief Whitener yesterday after completing his investigation into the theft of the hens.

At the conclusion of the preliminary trial witnesses expressed the belief that "Speck" was innocent and remarked that it would be unjust to send him to the penitentiary for something he had not done. This prompted the woman to confess. She was taken to the city jail, put through a cross examination during which she told the details of the robbery.

Prosecuting Attorney Caruthers said after hearing the confession of the girl he would dismiss the charge against "Speck" Adams. Since he has been bound over to the circuit court, the charge can not be dropped until the case is called in that court.

"Speck" was arrested Wednesday morning when the police found him and two women dining on chickens at his home in the rear of the Rouse residence. Feathers found in a bucket at the Adams home tallied in color with some found near Rouse's hen roost. Adams was arrested, but denied stealing chickens.

According to Prosecuting Attorney Caruthers "Speck" was convicted of highway robbery and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. He was released about two years ago.

GENE SPEAK ENTERS OFFICERS' SCHOOL

Cape Soldier Gets Second Highest Grade In His Company.

Sergt. Gene Speak, who has been stationed at Chickamagua for several months, has entered the Officers' Training School, where he will try for a commission in the army. Of the sixteen members who entered the school from his company, he ranked second in grades.

Sergt. Speak, who is the son of Mrs. A. D. Speak, has made excellent record. He volunteered as private and had been in only a short time when he was promoted. In the training school are 13,000 men, and in the letter to his mother yesterday he stated in case he failed to win commission it would be because 12,999 "beat him to it."

He sent his mother a book containing photographs of all members in his company. He entered the army, and his signed to the Fifty Second Regiment, which for several months has been stationed at Chickamagua.

Young Speak has become enthusiastic.

GERMAN U-BOAT CREW SURRENDERS TO U. S. JACKIES



Crew of a German submarine surrendering to the crew of the American destroyer Fanning after their vessel had been crippled by the Fanning and the Nicholson, which were conveying merchant ships. Just after this photograph was taken the U-boat sank. Most of the crew were saved, some by American seamen who jumped overboard to rescue them.

EXEMPTION CLAIM IS INVESTIGATED

General Perkins, Sued for Divorce, Says Wife Is Dependent.

A claim for exemption made by General Perkins on the grounds that he had to support his wife is being investigated by Sheriff Hutson, when he was informed that Perkins was recently sued for a divorce by his wife. The petition was filed in the Common Pleas Court January 3.

In an affidavit accompanying the questionnaire Mrs. Perkins sustained her husband's claim on the grounds that she was dependent upon his support. The couple have been separated for some time according to the petition filed in the Common Pleas Court. The affidavit in the questionnaire bearing the signature of Mrs. Perkins was made out Wednesday.

When Sheriff Hutson received the questionnaire of Perkins yesterday morning he recalled having seen the divorce petition in the Common Pleas Court and began to investigate Perkins' claim for exemption.

When Perkins learned that the sheriff was investigating the grounds of his exemption claim, he called up Sheriff Hutson yesterday afternoon to ascertain whether any action would be taken against him for asking exemption on the grounds that his wife was being supported by him.

Sheriff Hutson said last night he did not know whether any action would be taken against Perkins, as he had not finished his investigation. If the claim filed by Perkins could not be verified he said, then he would probably lay the matter before the military authorities.

COLD WAVE PREDICTED TO REACH THE CAPE TODAY

Heavy Snow Proceeds Cold Weather - Trains delayed on account of Snow.

Another cold wave has been predicted to reach the city today, and the mercury will drop far below zero, are the predictions of the government weather bureau. The entire state, it is announced, will be hit by the zero weather.

A snow storm set in early yesterday evening, and flakes continued to fall all night covering the ground for a depth of more than four inches. The street cars were tied up on account of the heavy snow, all late traffic was impaired. The late Hoxie arrived more than an hour late. All other trains were behind schedule.

company. Sergt. Speak has been as many friends here expect him to win a commission when he leaves the training school.

Prophet Passes Another Corner In Life's Dash.

Col. Matt. Morrison Withholds His Age, But Jots Down a Few Remarks on Current Subjects.

"Well," remarked Col. Matt. Morrison, the goose-bone weather prophet, "I just muffed another birthday. I am old enough to be too wise to let my wife know just how old I am. But I'm young at that."

"I have tollaff everytime I see some of these old birds creeping' about the city. I was an old man when the war was on, but I'm still watchin' the folks plan' 'em. As I said once before, you can't live two days in one and git by long. I'm gettin' mine, but I all ways keep the brakes on."

"Well, I see by the papers that we're goin' to dam the river. Now I've been dammin' the damn thing ever since I located in this town. I lose a patch of corn, a bunch of coas or somethin' everytime it gets up."

"The New Year slipped me a lemon. That big blind horse that I've been advertisin' for sale committed suicide after they wuz tollin' the bells for New Year. I heard a connection in the burn an' gits my later. When I got out there, he was hanging to the manger an' as dead as a smoked pickeral. 'Happy New Year,' says I to myself, an' I went back home an' climbed into my winter mattress with my shoes on."

"Two days later I lost two of my tenants. One dropped dead as he started formy home to pay his rent, an' the other get arrested. I'm havin' about as much luck as the Czar of Russia."

"Well, I notice there ain't no peace yet. As I said before, it looks to me like the world's done gone plum bugs."

"Well I see the City Council is goin' to call a special election to choose a Councilman in the Third ward. Why that office's been vacant for six months, an' it's now only fifty days to the regular election. What's the reason for this special election. If the Council can't fire a policeman, we ought to cut out the extra expenses and buy sausages and cornbread for the poor children in this here town."

CAPE YOUTH IS WOUNDED IN LEG WHILE HUNTING

Companion Drops Gun and soul Is Discharged into his Left Hip

Finis McCine, who was accidentally shot Wednesday afternoon, while hunting several miles south of the city, is reported recovering from a wound in the left hip. The accident was caused when Roy Caracke, who accompanied Young McCine stumbled over a tree dropping his shotgun. The wound is about an inch in diameter.

The wounded youth was taken to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William McCine, 709 South Pacific street, after his companions had given him emergency treatment.

BLOMEYER MAN IS HELD FOR LARCENY

Suspected Of Stealing Corn, and Being Draft Evader.

Ernest Pruitt alias Ernest Williams was arrested yesterday afternoon at his home in Blomeyer and taken to Jackson where he is held on charges of burglary and larceny, while Sheriff Hutson is investigating an additional charge alleging the prisoner had failed to register. Pruitt is accused of stealing corn from several farmers near Blomeyer, but he denies any knowledge of the thefts.

Sheriff Hutson was informed yesterday morning that farmers in and near Blomeyer had missed some of their corn supply, and was told that Pruitt had 15 bushels of corn in his hayloft, which were not bought from anyone in Blomeyer. He was also told that Pruitt had boasted of the fact that he had could be traced to somebody else. An 27 years old.

When confronted with this charge by Sheriff Hutson after his arrest, Pruitt said he was 32 years old and was not subject to the regulations of the draft. He also denied that he had stolen any corn. He said the thefts reported by the farmers near Blomeyer could be traced to somebody else. An information charging burglary and larceny will be issued today by the prosecuting attorney.

TWO PATIENTS AT HOSPITAL SUCCUMB

Mrs. Anna Pirkey, Bride of Two Weeks, Dies After Operation.

Two deaths occurred at St. Francis Hospital yesterday: Mrs. Anna Pirkey died of the effect of an operation she underwent Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. L. J. Ables of Sikeston succumbed to an ailment for which she had been treated at the hospital for several weeks.

Mrs. Pirkey was taken to the hospital early Wednesday morning for an immediate operation, but her condition was such that the physician had to postpone the ordeal till late in the afternoon. It was found that her condition had grown precarious due to a delay of the operation. She became unconscious yesterday forenoon and died shortly after noon.

The funeral will be held this afternoon from the home, 148 South Spaniel street. Interment will be at the Lorimer Cemetery. She was the bride of R. F. Pirkey, an employe of the shoe factory. The couple were married two weeks ago. She was Miss Anna Host etler of Clarkton before her marriage and had been employed in the local

KEPT VIOLIN BY MISTAKE, PROF. BECK DECLARES

Robert Cowan Accused Normal Teacher of "Switching" Violins.

GAVE PUPIL CHEAP FIDDLE, IS CHARGE

Prof. Beck Maintains He Merely Made Mistake, While Repairing Stradivarius.

Prof. Earl G. Beck, violin teacher at the Normal school yesterday emphatically denied the report circulated through the city that he had made an attempt to appropriate a valuable violin belonging to Robert M. Cowan, when he gave Miss Velma Fruit, a relative of Mr. M. Cowan a cheap instrument while he repaired the other and in the pretext of wanting to repair the valuable instrument. He explained the matter by saying it was a mistake on the young lady's part who had misunderstood him, when she accepted the cheap fiddle.

Miss Fruit was referred to Prof. Beck for violin lessons. The teacher asked her permission to keep the instrument she brought to the studio on the day she began taking lessons, saying he would repair it, and offered to lend her an instrument for practice. Several days later the young lady was given a violin which had been revarnished.

Miss Fruit told The Tribune last night she noticed that the instrument returned to her by Prof. Beck was not the same she had given him for repairs, but did not tell Mr. Cowan, fearing he would hold her responsible for the loss of the violin, which he valued so highly. One day she mustered enough courage to reveal her trouble to Mr. Cowan.

After examining the instrument she had received from Prof. Beck, Miss Fruit said, Mr. Cowan took her to the professor's studio. They had found that the initials "E. G.", the same that were on the valuable violin, had been carved on the instrument given her by Prof. Beck.

When asked for an explanation by Mr. Cowan, she said, Prof. Beck took them to a closet where he had three instruments and asked them to pick out the one belonging to Mr. Cowan. The latter became angry and demanded his violin be produced at once. It was located at the Normal. Prof. Beck also refunded the money he had charged for repairs and the fees for the young lady's lessons.

Prof. Beck said last night the incident was provoked by misunderstanding. He said he told Miss Fruit, when he gave her the cheaper violin, she could keep it until he had repaired Mr. Cowan's instrument. She evidently misunderstood him, he said, and told Mr. Cowan it was his instrument. He added the difference had been settled, and he and Mr. Cowan were friends as before.

Mr. Cowan values his violin very highly. It is a German copy of a Stradivarius. Several violinists of the city say the instrument is one of the best known in the city, while Prof. Beck last pronounced it "not very valuable."

The incident, which occurred several weeks ago, has been the occasion for an epidemic of gossip.

show factory for several months.

Mrs. Ables was brought here from Sikeston, December 22 for an operation. She was believed last week to be on the way of recovery, and her husband who remained at her bedside for a week following the operation departed for his home.

Tuesday morning Mrs. Ables began to show the first symptoms of a relapse, and her husband was summoned to the hospital. She died yesterday morning about 11 o'clock. The body was shipped to Sikeston early this morning, and will be buried there this afternoon.

Both funerals will be held under the direction of the Lorberg Undertaking Company.

SWEDEN ASKED TO ACT MEDIATOR FOR WARRING NATIONS

Bulgaria and Russia Reported To Have Made A Peace Pact.

PEACE MEETING TO BE TAKEN TO NEUTRAL SOIL

German Papers Say U. S. Articles Can Not Be Accepted As Told By Wilson.

PETROGRAD, Wednesday, Jan. 9.—The German delegations in Petrograd are reported by the Evening Post to have met in touch with the Swedish legation here and to have expressed the desire that Sweden act as a go-between with Great Britain, France and Italy.

The German delegations in Petrograd were sent to take up with the Russian questions such as resumption of commercial relations and release of certain classes of prisoners. So far as known they were not charged with political affairs and in ordinary circumstances the German Government would not employ such agents in seeking Sweden's services as mediators. Negotiations would be carried on directly with the Swedish Minister at Berlin or through the German Minister at Stockholm.

Berne, Switzerland, Jan. 10.—A separate peace agreement has been signed by Russia and Bulgaria, the Bund reports.

A Bulgarian correspondent of the Bund says Premier Radoslavoff read the following dispatch from Great Britain in Parliament:

"Was between Russia and Bulgaria ceased. Diplomatic relations between Russia and Bulgaria resumed. Russia and Bulgaria's right to nominate a delegate to an international Dnieper conference. The first peace is thus concluded with the consent of Bulgaria's allies."

The Bund says Bulgaria has appointed a minister to Petrograd and a Consul General to be stationed at Odessa, and has ordered the resumption of no visitation to Odessa.

Bulgaria took part with Germany, Austria and Turkey in the first negotiations at Brest Litovsk and it has been assumed that no peace terms would be agreed to by the Central Powers except in concert. However, all news yesterday giving the names of those who took part in the first session of the Brest Litovsk conference, when they were resumed this week, made no mention of a Bohemian representative.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 10.—President Wilson's peace program is just as inacceptable to Germany as that of Premier Lloyd George, the Cologne Volk Zeitung declared today.

"President Wilson's fourteen points will not form a program of peace, but will lead to no peace. He presumes to interfere with the internal affairs of Austria-Hungary," the official North German Gazette declared today.

SAYS HUSBAND TORE UP HER CLOTHING

Mrs. Grace Taylor Asks That Her Maiden Name, Grace Mabrey, Be Restored.

That her husband destroyed her clothes to prevent her from appearing in public, is one of the charges on which Mrs. Grace Taylor asks a divorce from her husband, Roy Taylor. The petition was filed in the Common Pleas Court yesterday afternoon.

The couple were married January 22, 1916, but were separated eight months later. Aside from the above charge Mrs. Taylor alleges her husband has been addicted to excessive use of alcohol for more than a year.