

ALL CLAIMS VANISH IN POLICE HUNT FOR HAMMER SLAYER

Mrs. Phillips Left No Trail
and Numerous "Tips"
Prove Futile.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 8.—Officials were quoted early today as admitting they "hardly know in what direction to look" for Mrs. Clara Phillips, hammer murderer, who sawed her way to freedom from the Los Angeles County Jail last Tuesday morning.

Since her escape became known, approximately six hours after she severed the bars across her cell window, the police of the greater part of the country, and of the Mexican territory of Lower California as well, have been on watch for her.

But so far the search has resulted only in scores of "tips" which proved worthless and in annoyance as far east as Chicago to women who were believed to bear some resemblance to the missing murderer and who were passengers on trains on which she was reported to be traveling eastward.

While the police, sheriff's forces, private detectives and citizens in general still were searching for her, the District Attorney's office reviewed the punishment prescribed by law for prisoners who break jail, to determine what further penalties might be given the woman already under sentence to serve from ten years to life for beating Mrs. Alberta Tremaine Meadows to death with a hammer.

Charles W. Fricke, Deputy District Attorney, who assisted in Mrs. Phillips' prosecution, said the California penal code classified a jail break as a misdemeanor and fixed punishment for it at six months' imprisonment in the county jail, a fine of \$500 or both.

In damaging the jail by flung through the cell bars, he added, she had committed a felony, punishable by a fine of \$5,000 or by a sentence of from six months to five years in the penitentiary.

If she had accomplices, he said, they were guilty of felony and liable to severe punishment, if apprehended.

PUBLIC WILL PAY FOR 60 CONCERTS IN CENTRAL PARK

Goldman's Band to Give
Subscription Program Dur-
1923, Letter Reveals.

Central Park will have some concerts during the season of 1923 for which the public will have to pay, and those music-lovers who have not the wherewithal to pay, in all probability will be unable to get near enough to the band to enjoy it.

This was learned today as the result of a letter circulated by Edwin Franko Goldman, conductor of Goldman's Band, which had given concerts on the campus at Columbia University, but which was forced to find another amphitheatre because of plans to erect additional buildings on the college green.

The letter was sent out under date of Nov. 28 and the address of No. 202 Riverside Drive. It announced that Mayor Hylan, President of the Board of Aldermen Hulbert, and Park Commissioner Gallatin had agreed to permit the Goldman concerts in Central Park next year, and that a grandstand and seats for 20,000 persons would be provided. Just who would provide this equipment was not made clear, but the intimation in the letter was that the city will.

Subscriptions are invited in the letter, just as had been done at the Columbia concerts. Enclosed are subscription blanks, which explain that \$5 entitles the subscriber to one season ticket, and subscriptions up to \$100, entitling the subscriber to 20 tickets, are invited. Forty-two concerts were given last year at Columbia and it is expected this will be increased to 60 next year.

Conductor Goldman declares in his letter that a thorough search of the city had been made for an open space large enough to accommodate his subscribers and that the Mall in Central Park is the ideal location. Other band concerts will be provided in Central Park, of course, those usually given during the summer by the city. These include concerts by the Police Band and those of the Firemen, Street Cleaners and others.

LINER CRAWLS IN AFTER SEIGE WITH MOUNTAINOUS SEAS

Bayern Has Rough Time
From Hamburg—Wagner's
Piano and Toys Aboard.

Ending a trip which so far as time was concerned was anything but a record breaker, the Bayern of the

Hamburg-American Line, arrived in port today. Everybody aboard who ever had sailed before, said the voyage was the worst ever. The Bayern carried 576 passengers and for three days most of them figured they could make better time walking on land. In that time the big liner bucking into mountainous seas and battling with head winds, made at times three miles an hour.

While she was the worst of it, the lookout reported what at first slight appeared to be a huge submarine. When they got a little closer it proved to be the Homeric of the White Star Line, which was having her own troubles beating her way through the storm. The Bayern left Hamburg on Nov. 23, and her officers were anxious to make a quick run as she carried

the last consignment of toys from the other side. In the hold of the liner was the piano of Richard Wagner. The instrument was a present to the composer from King Ludwig of Bavaria. Necessity compelled its sale and it was bought by Richard Prosser of No. 83 Washington Place, this city, who was a Sergeant in the A. E. F. It will be used in a concert here and Mr. Prosser plans to present it to some museum.

Three stowaways who hoped to eat Christmas dinner in America were aboard, two of them brothers of Alfred Williams of No. 2607 Eighth Avenue. Williams, older than the other two, was a sailor in the United States Navy during the war. His brothers hoped to join him here. One has made three attempts as a stowaway.

Peter Whicheta, twenty, American born, who through his sixteen years residence in Germany speaks no Eng-

lish, arrived bound for relatives in St. Louis. He wanted to be sent to Ellis Island. Of the thousands of immigrants he is the first to make that concession. His desire was to be near Rosa Niederkorn. Asked if he wished to marry the young woman he said "No," but she was teaching him English. A traveler's aid society took charge of him, assuring him that he would find plenty of German spoken in St. Louis.

A CALIFORNIA POTATO.

(From the Los Angeles Times.) An Easterner who had bought a farm in California had heard of his neighbor's talent for raising large potatoes, so sent his farmhand over to get a hundred pounds. "You go back home," answered the talented farmer to the messenger, "and tell your boss that I won't cut a potato for any one."

GIVES 'MEANEST THIEF' THREE YEARS IN PRISON FOR SWINDLING WOMAN

Victimized Mother of Youth in Jail
On Pretense He Could Obtain
Son's Freedom. A prisoner characterized by Judge Mancuso of General Sessions as "the meanest, most contemptible and despicable thief," was today sent to the penitentiary for three years for swindling a woman out of a \$66 suit of clothes and \$25 under pretext of using them to keep her son out of prison. The man was Nick Manicone of No. 728 Bloomfield Street, Hoboken. The police said his specialty was being arrested for minor offenses to get himself into jails where he could make the

acquaintance of prisoners and prey on their families after his release. He pleaded guilty to getting the clothing and money from Mrs. Mary Collett of No. 410 E. 15th Street, to "fix" the case of her son, Tony, who in June last was in the Tombs awaiting trial for burglary. He is now in Sing Sing. Manicone said he needed the suit of clothes for one of the parole commissioners. Judge Mancuso sent a letter to the penitentiary authorities asking that they see that Manicone serve every hour of his term.

A WEARY LANDOWNER.

(From the Washington Star) "Some day your boy Josh will own the old place." "Yes," replied a former Cornsossel, "but I dunno whether it'll make him happy. It seems to me he'd have more time for rest an' comfort if he could see quality as a farmhand an' draw regular wages without no argument."

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