#### THEATER STRIKES AT RADIO PERIL

#### Producers to Ban Use o Music and Keep Stars Off Air.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

NEW YORK, January 3.—Roused by the acclaim with which the radio broadcasting performances of John McCormack and Mme. Bori were halled, the theatrical producers and managers comprising the Managers' Protective Association are planning steps to prevent their musical comedy scores being broadcast by making the composers retain the copyrights of their compositions.

"The most dangerous element the theatrical managers have to face in connection with the radio broadcasting craze." Arthur Hammerstein president of the Managers' Protective Association, said tonight, "is the fact

president of the Managers Protective Association, said tonight, "is the fact that, in the past, musical authors have turned over their rights in the copyright on their compositions to the publishers. This practice must be reformed at once, and aur association will take the necessary steps to see that it is done.

that it is done.

"About 99 out of every 100 composers have contracts with their publishers by which the latter control the copyrights. These publishers now turn the music over to the big radio stations and they broadcast the scores of our shows at the same time the shows are being produced throughout the country."

#### Will Guard Contracts.

Mr. Hammerstein predicted that his association would take the stand that no contract would be made with a composer unless he retained the copyright so that radio companies could be prohibited from broadcasting his tunes.

I. Lawrence Weber, another official of the Managers' Protective Association also said that all future contracts with actors and actresses would contain a clause prohibiting them from broadcasting without permission.

mission.

"The present scare can be likened to the flurry caused by the introduction of the first moving pictures, and will soon pass," Mr. Hammerstein said. "We still have a commodity that the public wants and neither the moving pictures or the radio can replace the theater, where you can both see and hear the artist."

As an instance of the situation created by the development of the radio, it was said today that attempts of the Keith Vaudeville Circuit to get Vincent Lopez and his orchestra back had failed, because Lopez refused to give up his contract for broadcasting his concerts from the Pennsylvania Hotel.

Demands Compromise. tion was against Democratic members of Congress, and not against John W. Davis, Senator Dial, Democrat, South Davis, Senator Dial, Democrat, South Carolina, declared yesterday in an extended speech, declaring his party had failed to adhere to its principles.

Senator Dial said the real issue in November was the effort of the Democratic party to "serve up some kind of shambling, shame-faced compromise of so-called democracy and foreign-born Socialism, Bolshevism and Communism."

#### Demands Compromise.

"I would not give up radio broad-casting for anything," said Lopez tonight, "not even to go back with Keith's. If they want me they will have to make a compromise." Mr. Lopez also declared that the radio will be the means of developing the musical education of America and that he had already started a school

Mr. Lopez also declared that the radio will be the means of developing the musical education of America and that he had already started a school to teach plano playing and broadcast a lesson to his pupils once a month. In a letter, which he sent to William Brady, theatrical manager, concerning Mr. Brady's remark that radio was causing the death of the theater, William C. Alley, associate editor of Radio Retailing, asks Mr. Brady to "stop and think a moment and you will realize that theatrical managers are cutting their own throats."

He then cites the present-day prices of theater admission, \$3 to \$5 a seat, and declares they are prohibitive. Secondly, he states that nine out of ten times when he does want to go to the theater he cannot get tickets at the box office, but must pay an agency a "still further ingrease over the already high box office price," or if the box office does happen to have tickets, he says, they are always the back rows or balcony seats and he has to go to the agencles again for the choice locations.

"Theatrical managers took to high prices and the ticket agencles committed suicide with them," he writes. "Radio is not to blame, Mr. Brady."

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"It is a mortifying bitter truth." he said, "that the quiet and close thinker in the White House is a better Democration that the quiet and close thinker in the White House is a better Democration and the text he wisdom which have moved him to clean house in his own party.

"The Democratic party, as it is, has suffered successive defeats and disasters in appeals to the people, because the people acted successive defeats and disasters in appeals to the people, because the party was founded.

"It is time for us Democrats to face the music. We have been beaten in Congress, who have made the party's record, are wrong. For one, I confess myself deeply shamed when I read that customers are rushing to wait the price.

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#### Bouquet Coffee: **GUANTANAMO'S MAYOR** VICTIM OF ASSASSIN

Executive of Cuban City Shot Dead-Officials Ignorant of Cause.

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By the Associated Press.

HAVANA, January 3.—Manuel Salas, mayor of Guantanamo, a town near the American naval base of Guantanamo Bay, was shot to death last night on his way home by Jose Corrector, who was being sought today by the rural guard, according to official reports to the secretary of interior. Authorities professed ignorance of the cause of the shooting, but said President Luque of the city council had taken the office of mayor and that the situation was trangull. Salas was shot three times, his assailant stepping out from the ruins of a hotel, which recently was destroyed by fire.

#### NICARAGUAN PRESIDENT, INAUGURATED, LAUDS U. S.

Solorzano Bespeaks Continued Aid and Friendship of This Country.

By the Associated Press. By the Associated Press.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, January 3.—
Carlos Solorzano was inaugurated President of Nicaragua Tuesday for a term of four years. The ceremony took place here before a joint session of Congress, and was attended by the diplomatic and consular corps, distinguished foreigners and many of the nonulace. the populace.
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In his inaugural address President Solorzano paid a splendid tribute to the United States, and said he hoped for a continuance of the aid and friendship of that nation.

President Solorzano, who was elected by a large majority on a coalition ticket, is a retired capitalist, and is 59 years of age.

#### FOX SUSPECTS TAKEN.

Two of Three Men Identified as

Bandits. NEW YORK, January 2.—Three of the four men suspected of having held up and robbed Mr. and Mrs. Wil-liam Fox in the vestibule of their apartment house on New Year morn-

apartment nouse on New Year morning, were arrested today. They were held without bail.

The robbery was particularly brutal, one of the thugs tearing rings from the woman's hand with his teach. The prisoners described themselves

as James Meehan, Charles Adcock and Murray Friedman, all of New The elevator man of the apart-ment identified Meehan and Adcock as two of those in the hold-up.

If you need work, read the columns of The Star,

#### "Slighted Sweetie," Brings Grief and Police to His Door

just what happened in his own Case.

The worst of it was that Mothers-

The worst of it was that Mothershead broke that date because he had a pressing and unexpected engagement at Baltimore police head-quarters the same evening to answer a charge of having burglarized a Pennsylvania avenue store here recently. He was returned here, in company with James R. Garner, wanted for the same charge, but escaped at the entrance to No. 6 Police Station. "I suppose I'm good for 10 years now," Mothershead remarked to Detectives Cole, Dowd and Flaherty

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Detectives Cole, Dowd and Flaherty on being taken into oustody. "And just think how mad she'll be when you show up for that date 10 years from now," the detectives reflected. In Police Court yesterday Mothershead listened very attentively to the reading of the warrant by Deputy Clerk Gawler. He then insisted on reading it, and in a few minutes after scanning the sheet.

minutes after scanning the sheet, said, "Oh, that's all right, I'm guilty." He was held for the action of

He was held for the action of the grand jury on a bond of \$3,900. James Garnet, co-defendant in the alleged housebreaking case, in which the home of Mosses A. Serby was entered and articles of cloth-ing taken, was held for the grand jury when brought before Judge McMahon Friday. His bond was the same

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Imagine your best "lady friend" tipping off the police as to your whereabouts out of r-r-revenge for a broken date. According to the police, who arrested James Friday at the home of a friend on Four-and-a-Half street, that is just what happened in his own Mass Meeting Tonight to Start Campaign to Double Membership.

Antique Furniture Is Proffered for White House Use

Recurring offers of antique furniture for equipping certain rooms in the White House in the style of American historical periods have led Senator Spencer, Republican, Missouri, to offer a joint resolution authorizing acceptance of such donations.

The officer in charge of public buildings and grounds in the District of Columbia would be charged with the duty of determining whether the proffered articles were real antiques and of "the correct period."

## SESSION PLANNED

Convention to Be Held Here to Be Largest in 25 Years.

meeting held under the auspices of the Elis, a newly created dining club, at starvey's later dight.

A group of Y members had contributed to the foreign mission to be held in the war washington. Addresses were made as an added stimulus to the drive foreign mission to be erected in Washington, and Market Bisayer, director of the Jewsth Community Center, soon to be erected in Washington, and Saurice Bisayer, director of the Jewsth Community Center, soon to be erected in Washington, and Saurice Bisayer, director of the Jewsth Community Center, soon to be erected in Washington, and Saurice Bisayer, director of the Jewsth Community Center, soon to be erected in Washington, and Saurice Bisayer, director of the Jewsth Community Center, soon to be erected in Washington, and Saurice Bisayer, director of the Jewsth Community Center, soon to be erected in Washington, and Market Bisayer, director of the Jewsth Community Center, soon to be erected in Washington, and Market Bisayer, director of the Jewsth Community Center, soon to be erected in Washington, and Market Bisayer, director of the Jewsth Community Center, soon to be erected in Washington, and Market Bisayer, director of the Jewsth Community Center, soon to be erected in Washington, and Market Bisayer, director of the Jewsth Community Center, soon to be erected in Washington, and the United States. It will be all the new 1300-000 center, listed the support making discovered and so the foreign mission to be briefly maked as the way will play in the new 1300-000 center, listed the support making discovered and so the foreign mission to th

convention was Benjamin Harrison, former President of the United States. Leaders state that the Wash-ington convention will undoubtedly be representative of a greater number ver held in North America.

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The purpose of the convention, as outlined in the official statement, is "for the information and inspiration of the churches of Canada and the United States. It will be an educational, not a deliberative or legislative assembly. It will not deal with questions and problems of administration on the mission field. Its messages will be designed to enlarge the interest and deepen the conviction of the Christian people at the home base

Composer of "The Incarnation" to Supervise Presentation Tuesday Evening at Central High.

Dr. Adam Geibel, musician-com-oser-lecturer of Philadelphia, will poser-lecturer of Philadelphia, will appear at Central High School auditorium Tuesday evening, in connection with the rendition of his cantata. The Incarnation, by the Highlands Community Chorus, under the direction of Mrs. Henry Hunt McKee, and the soloists for the occasion will be Miss Vivienne Gillmore and Miss Werdna Bradley, sopranos; Mrs. Ellen Holliday, wife of Herbert Holliday, convicted Rondout, Ill., maif robber, and Miss Helen McNeil, his niece, held here for questioning by

DR. GEIBEL TO ATTEND

night. The cantata will be sung at Highlands Community Church this morning, and tonight he will give his lecture recital at Georgetown Presbyterian Church, Tomornow at 8 o'clock, a Chevy Chase Presbyterian Church, Dr. Geibel will again give his lecture recital, and also Tresday morning at the celtal. recital, and also Tuesday morning at the Washington Club, but the pro-gram Tuesday evening in Central High auditorium is to be his largest ublic performance while in the city

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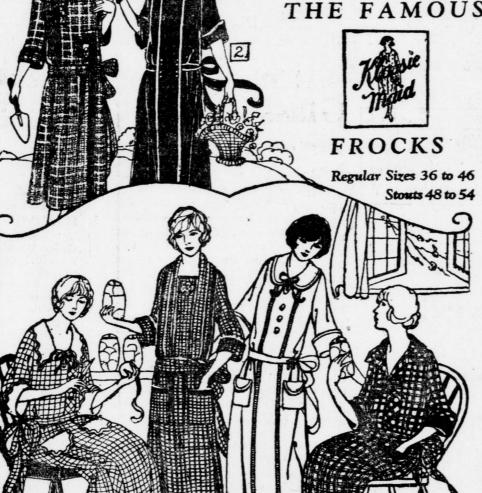
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