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WOMAN SOUGHT IN WIRE TAPPING

Wife of Ringleader Missing From Atlanta Home.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 31.—Police and detectives are today searching for Mrs. Clyde Smith, wife of one of the missing ringleaders of the fake wire tapping gang. She has disappeared from Atlanta.

The authorities believe Mrs. Smith was in intimate touch with the part her husband played in the wire tapping gang, which is almost the world over associated with him. Her home, 806 Peachtree street, triple locked, padlocked and chained, is now believed to be the place where the various operatives found safety after the investigation into the operations of the gang started and seized the first opportunity to leave Atlanta. Mrs. Smith had been under surveillance and twice grilled by the solicitor-general. But she is also safe.

Victims of the gang continue to appear before Prosecutor Boykin, among them being a man said to be a Georgia banker who had been swindled out of \$38,000. Many of them had lost everything they possessed.

J. L. Broadnax and M. E. Graham are under arrest charged with bookmaking on races in New Orleans and other towns. The officers state they found telegrams announcing race results and other race "dope" when they searched the couple.

Couple's Marriage Blocked by Doctor

Special to The Times.

COLUMBUS, Ind., Dec. 31.—Cupid and enemies clashed in the office of the Bartholomew County clerk here, when Dr. J. K. Hawes, of the United States Public Health Service, forbade County Clerk C. M. Johnson to issue a marriage license. The young couple stood before the clerk's desk and pleaded with Dr. Hawes to remove his objection.

When the would-be bridegroom, who had been a patient of Dr. Hawes, found that the doctor would not remove the objection, he went to another physician and obtained a health certificate. Armed with this he returned to the clerk's office and demanded a license, but Dr. Hawes still blocked his way. County Clerk Johnson refused to issue the license.

300 Cases of Whisky Held After Accident

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Dec. 31.—Three hundred cases of Gibson whisky, the kind with the "kick of an army mule," are being guarded here today instead of being on the way to New York. One of the trucks holding the liquor went over an embankment shortly after midnight on the National Pike. News of the mishap soon reached Fayette County authorities who seized the liquor.

The whisky was being taken from the Gibbs' refinery at the Verona to New York on New Year's permits. Monte Goldstein of Pittsburgh and four other men are being detained while an investigation of the regularity of the permits is being made.

Richmond Woman Dies From Burns

Special to The Times.

RICHMOND, Ind., Dec. 31.—Mrs. Alice M. Newman, 70, a pioneer of Wayne County, was found burned to death in her home in West Richmond late Thursday, by a neighbor who entered the house after detecting the odor of burning clothing.

It is the belief of Coroner Bond that Mrs. Newman had a flaming spell and slipped from a chair into the gas grata, where her clothing was ignited. Two sons, Ray Newman of this city, and Victor Newman, who is a clerk in the Senate postoffice in Washington, survived.

Pennsy Employees Ordered Back in Shops

Special to The Times.

LOGANSPORT, Ind., Dec. 31.—Notice ordering six hundred Pennsylvania shop employees in this city to return to work, Jan. 3, were posted at the shops today. The lay-off at the local "Pennsy" shops here occurred last Monday morning, no explanation being made by the officials in regard to the temporary suspension of operations.

Gun for Protection Proves Death Dealer

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 31.—With pistol he had bought for protection after being held up Wednesday night, Albert Kaufman, 40, president of the National Straw Hat plant, shot himself through the right temple accidentally at his office, dying almost immediately.

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U.S. DICTATOR IN MOVE FOR DISARMAMENT

Other Powers Will Cut Navies if America Decides on Reduction.

MOVEMENT IS GROWING

By J. W. T. MASON,
Written for The Times.

NEW YORK, Dec. 31.—The movement for limitation of naval construction is spreading so fast throughout the world as to make it a more immediately incentive instrument for world peace than the League of Nations.

America controls the world's naval situation. Whatever the United States says will be done. America alone has the financial resources sufficient for an indefinite expansion of warship construction. If America is willing to do more, the world will follow. America will eagerly seize the opportunity to cut down their own expenditures.

A conference of the world's naval powers to meet at Washington at the invitation of the United States would do more to guard civilization against the outbreak of another war than the meeting of the assembly of the League of Nations at Geneva was able to do. Complete disarmament cannot come at once because

of the fact that the first stage is to limit warship building.

America alone can inspire this program because America controls the world's balance of power.

There are now only three naval nations of major rank. They are the United States, Great Britain and Japan. The key to the problem of naval retrenchment is the proportional future strength in warships which these nations shall possess.

The United States with two vast sea-boards to protect and Great Britain with the outlying parts of the British empire to safeguard, are entitled to heavier national insurance against unforeseen possibilities than Japan. When America's present naval program is completed the strength of the American and British navies will be about equal. Japan will have about 50 per cent of America's naval strength. That proportion is a fit compromise.

If an agreement is reached for a continuance of the same relative strength, the problem will be solved.

C. K. Poer New Head of Shelby Co. Thrashers

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SHELBYVILLE, Ind., Dec. 31.—Chauncy K. Poer of Hanover Township has been elected president of the Shelby County Thrashers Association in the annual banquet and meeting held here. Worth Hobbs of Vandalia Township was elected vice-president, and A. C. Howe of Noble Township, secretary-treasurer. Mr. Poer, Mr. Howe and Harry Brown were elected delegates to the State convention in Indianapolis, and Mr. Lisher, Walter Arnold and J. R. Peck are members of the legislative committee appointed. Resolutions were passed at the meeting that the Shelby County Farmers' Association appoint a committee to confer with the executive committee of the thrashers on the boundaries of the coming season regarding the fixing of prices, equipment needed and the method to be followed this year. Mr. McCreary, secretary of the State Association of Thrashers, gave the principal address of the meeting.

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DOG HILL PARAGRAFS



PENROSE JOINS IN OPPOSITION TO TARIFF BILL

Returns to Capital to See That Measure Takes Proper Course.

TERMED AS 'ILL ADVISED'

WASHINGTON, Dec. 31.—Renewed and strengthened opposition to the omnibus tariff bill was seen today in the return to Washington of Senator Boies Penrose of Pennsylvania.

Before his arrival, Penrose communicated to several of his Republican colleagues his opinion that the bill is "ill advised" and "emotional."

Even though he is not yet a well man, he can, from the suite of rooms he is occupying at the Wardman Park Inn, do much to check the action of the Senate. Penrose's Committee to Oppose the Bill takes in the Senate, it is conceded by Democratic and Republican Senators alike.

Penrose, as chairman, is expected to supplant actively Senator McCumber of North Dakota, who has been acting chairman in Penrose's absence, in presiding over meetings of the committee. McCumber is a supporter of the bill.

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