

DRAG RIVER IN SEARCH OF LOST COLLEGE GIRL

Belief in Suicide Theory
Grows Among Leaders
of State Police.

By United Press
NORTHAMPTON, Mass., Jan. 26.—Acting on the belief of State police that Frances St. John Smith killed herself by leaping into the Connecticut River, attempts went ahead today to drag the river at the nearest point to Smith College.

Grappling hooks were obtained from Springfield, Wednesday, but attempts to drag the river were postponed owing to the stiff wind blowing along the river. It was announced attempts would begin this morning, providing the wind had abated.

"Seen" in Many Cities

The suicide theory was reverted to as most of the rumors of the missing girl having been seen in numerous cities of the East had proved without foundation.

School authorities and parents of the girl had received reports from every section of the East and now reports are coming from as far away as Atlanta, Ga., and Chicago. The report from Atlanta was that a girl answering the description of Miss Smith had applied for a passport to France.

New rumors came from the vicinity of New York City, the girl's home, that Miss Smith had been seen. One report said she had been seen in the Greenwich Village district, while others said a girl answering her description had been seen in several northern New Jersey towns.

Parents Cling to Hope

Mr. and Mrs. St. John Smith, parents of the girl, steadfastly cling to the hope that their daughter sought quiet and left the school and is safe. They believed they would eventually hear from her.

Wednesday, in New York, an aunt of Miss Smith wrote an appeal through the newspapers, to the girl to advise her parents of her whereabouts. It was the third such letter written. Previously the girl's parents and Governor Smith of New York had written letters to the girl promising that if she desired to remain away from her previous environment they would honor her desire.

Atlanta Rumor False

By United Press
ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 26.—A rumor that Miss Frances St. John Smith, missing Smith College student, was in Atlanta has proved false.

Miss Beulah Shirley told authorities that it was she who applied for a passport to France and not Miss Smith.

A city-wide search for Miss Smith started after Miss Shirley had applied for the passport. A marked resemblance caused authorities to mistake her for the missing girl.

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COP MIXES IN FAMILY ROW AND LOSES HIS BADGE; YES, AND OTHER EVENTS HAPPEN!

PATROLMAN Phillip De Barr mixed in a family quarrel and the result was disastrous for Phillip.

A friend of the husband whacked De Barr numerous times on the head with a blackjack. The husband bit two fingers on his left hand. The wife held one

arm while all this was going on. And someone stole his badge, according to De Barr's report.

Here's how it happened, according to the report.

The scene was the Valentino Inn, 102½ S. Illinois St. Time—4:45 a. m. today. Participants—a man who gave his name as Henry Rogers; a woman, Helen

said to be Rogers' wife; a friend Harold, and Harold's girl friend.

ROGERS, wife, Harold and girl friend are seated at a table. Enter Patrolman De Barr on a round of inspection.

Rogers and wife quarrel. Rogers hits wife.

Patrolman De Barr arrests and starts searching Rogers.

Harold rises and strikes patrolman on head with blackjack. Patrolman grapples with Rogers as he falls. Rogers bites patrolman's fingers. Good, hefty bites. Harold continues work with blackjack. Wife holds patrolman's right arm.

PATROLMAN on floor, with Rogers on top, stages a comeback. Pulls arm away from wife and reaches for trusty six-shooter. Rogers yells:

"Beat it, he's getting his gun." Harold and two women exit rear door. Rogers exits front door. Patrolman gets out gun and fires at Rogers.

Bullet strikes showcase. Curtain.

Thomas Bendittle, on duty at the restaurant, made no effort to help him, De Barr said. Bendittle was questioned at police headquarters. De Barr was taken to city hospital, where doctors stitched up two cuts on his head.

HEFLIN FEARS ENEMIES PLAN TO POISON HIM

Life Is Threatened Several Times, Says Senator;
Watches Food.

By C. J. LILLEY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—Senator Heflin's life has been threatened, not once but several times, he declared today.

The Senator said these threats were contained in anonymous communications, the last of which he received in November, 1926, just before he came from Alabama to the Senate.

Senator Heflin exercises more than an ordinary precautions for his own safety, he said. He eats only at places where he can feel sure his enemies will not be able to poison his food.

So far as the Senator knows, no direct attempt has ever been made to poison him.

Fearful Strange Waitress

Once in Chicago he ate a dish of peach ice cream, only to suffer a few hours later from violent cramps in his stomach.

"I never found out whether an attempt was made to poison me at the time, or not," the Senator said.

On another occasion he left a restaurant because a strange waitress attempted to serve him.

"I was in the habit of eating there," the Senator said, "and always had the same waitress. Her name was Gertrude. I had been warned by friends that another waitress there was a Catholic and to watch out for her."

Won't Answer Challenge

"This particular evening I wanted to leave early to catch a train. I had asked that Gertrude serve our party, but later when the waitress did appear, it was the one I had been warned against. She insisted that she was to wait upon me, so I just waited for my watch, and said it was too late for me to be served anyhow, as I had to catch a train, and I left."

Senator Heflin doesn't believe he will run for delegate-at-large to the Democratic convention from Alabama, as challenged by the mayor of Montgomery, Ala.

"I wouldn't want to be on a delegation, particularly if I became a candidate for President, later on," Heflin said.

FOLLIES STAR SUES BANKER HUSBAND, 60

Baltimore Financier Called "Kaiser," Divorce Is Asked.

By United Press

CHICAGO, Jan. 26.—Helen Henderson, Follies star, filed suit for divorce from Aaron Benesch, 60, wealthy Baltimore banker, here Wednesday.

Miss Henderson charged cruelty. The divorce petition said the couple lived together only six weeks after their marriage last September.

"He changed from a lover to a Kaiser as soon as the wedding was over," she was quoted as having told friends.

Famous Scenic Artist Dies

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 26.—Funeral services are to be held Friday for Amalio Fernandez, 68, famous scenic artist of the Royal Opera, Madrid, Spain, who died here Wednesday following a long illness.

JOHNSON TO ASSIST IN JACKSON CASE

Sorority Girls Pay Tribute to Diva



Mary Garden, Chicago opera star, received flowers and a hearty welcome when she arrived here Wednesday afternoon. And Butler University Delta Gamma Sorority girls, who presented her in a recital at the

Murat Wednesday night, received many smiles and kisses from the opera star.

FAST ENGINE CHANGE

Locomotives Shift in 90 Seconds on Record Run.

A change of engines in ninety seconds in the Indianapolis yards was part of a record-breaking run of a special Big Four train from St. Louis to Cleveland Wednesday, James Hennessy, yardmaster, disclosed today.

The train made the 535-mile run from terminal to terminal in 489 minutes, an average of more than sixty-five miles an hour. It traveled from Granite City, Ill., to Berea, Ohio, 515 miles, in 470 minutes, an average of sixty-six miles an hour.

The train was rushed through to help A. C. Harris, a New York Central vice president, get to New York by this morning in time for a funeral.

The change of engines was so rapid here that Harris had only time to get off, shake hands with two of a waiting crowd of Big Four officials and hop on again as the train started moving.

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FIGHT SLOT MACHINES

Prosecutors Prepare Case to Break Restraining Order.

County prosecutors today prepared to continue the fight to dissolve a temporary restraining order granted by Superior Judge James M. Leathers preventing police authorities from confiscating mint vending machines. The court battle started last Saturday and will be reopened again this week.

Earl Cox, attorney for the Superior Confection Company, obtained the writ of prohibition and asked for a permanent injunction. The hearings are being held by State's attorneys.

Hit by Auto in Front of Home

Dodging from behind an Indianapolis street railway bus, Mrs. Lucille Morgan, 28, of 4005 W. Washington St., was struck by an automobile in the street in front of her home early today. She was cut and bruised, but not seriously. Chester Pool of Clinton, Ind., was driving the car.

STOLEN CAR RECOVERED

An automobile stolen from Dr. F. M. Fitch, 219 Bankers Trust Bldg., was recovered, badly damaged, on Wednesday night at Twenty-Third St. and Shriver Ave. Patrolmen Jack Small and Earl Davis were at 2300 Northwestern Ave. when they noticed the automobile approaching at high speed, the rear bumper dragging. They gave chase. The Negro driver zig-zagged through several streets and alleys, suddenly stopped the car, kicked a door open and escaped through weeds and brush.

Marine authorities now believe Sandino has divided his forces into several small groups and has taken refuge in the almost inaccessible mountain regions of Neuva Segovia. Information to marine authorities was that Sandino planned to keep his small groups constantly on the move, attacking only small outposts of Americans.

It was believed Sandino had been advised of the American movement to surround El Chipote by some of his spies, who are scattered throughout the country.

Major General Lejeune, commander of the United States marines, returned Wednesday from an airplane tour of the front and praised the work of the American forces now engaged in seeking Sandino.

He spent a week on the front and said the morale of the men was high and that they were maintaining the best possible relations with the inhabitants of that district.

Lejeune said he hoped Sandino would surrender and thus prevent further bloodshed.

The marine commander will leave Friday on the cruiser Rochester for New Orleans. En route he will visit the eastern coast of Nicaragua.

PICK EDUCATION GUIDE FOR LEGION ORPHANS

Washington Man Accepts Recently Created Post.

Maj. Gen. P. C. Harris of Washington, today accepted appointment as American Legion national director of education and vocational training of war orphans, it was announced at Legion headquarters today. The post recently was created by the legion.

In his acceptance to National Commander Edward E. Spafford, Harris said he would give his entire time if necessary at his own expense to the movement to give the children of American soldiers killed in the World War a chance to finish their education and make themselves self-supporting.

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Public Relations Director A. E. Scott of the Interstate Public Service Company spoke on the development of good will at the Indianapolis Advertising Club luncheon today at the Spink-Arms. President Sydney A. Sullivan presided.

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PROSECUTOR TO HELP REMY AT TRIALS OF TRIO

Corruption Probe Worker Is Chosen to Push Bribe Plot Charge.

Attorney Emsley W. Johnson has been specially named as assistant to Prosecutor William H. Remy for the trials of Governor Ed Jackson, Republican County Chairman George V. Coffin and Attorney Robert I. Marsh on conspiracy charges, it was disclosed today.

Judge James A. Collins of Criminal Court made the announcement in explaining a request for an appropriation of \$5,000 for prosecuting attorney salaries to be presented to county council Friday.

Johnson has been a special prosecutor since last summer, participating in the investigation which resulted in the political corruption

Jackson's trial is set for Feb. 7.

The others will be later, Special Judge Charles M. McCabe having indicated he will grant motions for separation of the cases.

Judge Collins explained that the \$5,000 is not a set sum agreed upon as Johnson's remuneration, but this figure was fixed to cover any contingencies which might arise.

Nine Jurymen Ready

Five jurymen who qualified in Criminal Court today, with four previously qualified, will be in the jury box when trial of Jackson opens.

The nine now certain to undergo the examination of defense and prosecuting attorneys as to their fitness to weigh charges against Jackson are:

Rex T. Armstrong, R. R. C. employee of the Prest-O-Lite Company; Orville E. Baker, R. R. 3, structural steel worker; John Mendenhall, R. R. C. employee of Merchants National Bank and former Criminal Court bailiff; Samuel H. Colbert, Negro, R. R. F. Box 156, laborer; Fred C. Borneman, R. R. 3, garage mechanic; Charles E. Bragg, R. R. A. 2; H. O. Hoffman, Bridgeport; Elmer Geiger, Greenwood, R. R. 17, and Frederick C. Buesking, Cumberland, retired farmer.

Special Venue Ordered

The last four were from the regular panel. The first five named were on a special venue of eight called for the trial of Henry Prather, charged with manslaughter in connection with the death of William Schooler, a fellow employee at the Big Four Shelby St. roundhouse, Feb. 1, 1927.

The indictment against Prather was returned to the grand jury for revision today, liberating the five jurors for the Jackson trial.

Judge Collins ordered a special venue of three to report Feb. 2 to fill the jury box for the Governor's trial. Two other special venues of fifty each were ordered drawn by Special Judge McCabe, Crawfordsville, who will preside.

EXCHANGE NEW STOCK FOR THE BALANCE AT THE BEST PRICE OBTAINABLE, BUT NOT LESS THAN 98 PER CENT OF PAR.

Sealed bids shall be received upon the balance, bids to be opened in the presence of bidders, details of