

'BARONESS' HELD AS CHICAGO LOVE MART OPERATOR

POLICE SEIZE FILES LISTING 'PARTY GIRLS'

Two Women Provided Young Companions for \$50 Each, Say Cops.

15 TO 20 YEARS OLD

Raids Are Made After Detective Works Way Into 'Ring.'

CHICAGO, April 15.—Two women, one styling herself a "baroness," were taken from their Gold Coast apartments today, in raids by the state attorney's office, and questioned regarding charges they provided girl companions for wealthy men at \$50 each.

Card indexes containing names of girls between the ages of 15 and 20 were seized in the apartments. The women, "Baroness" Catherine Kuhlweindt, 50, and Mrs. Jane Stanton, 43, were quoted as each accusing the other of supplying the inspiration for their separate but similar enterprises.

Mrs. Kuhlweindt's records contained the names of more than thirty-five girls, their ages, color of hair and remarks regarding attractiveness.

Mrs. Stanton's card index was smaller, but more carefully kept, according to authorities.

Three operators of the state attorney's office, assigned out of the "racket" bureau, furnished the information upon which the arrests were made.

Find Files of Girls' Names

One of them, gray of hair and distinguished in appearance, was said to have insinuated herself into Mrs. Kuhlweindt's confidence.

The raids were made after this agent had struck a bargain with Mrs. Kuhlweindt to introduce two of the girls in her lists to "a pair of wealthy oil men from Tulsa, Okla."

The "oil men" were other state attorney's representatives. Their meeting with the "baroness" resulted in her arrest.

In Mrs. Kuhlweindt's apartment, the investigators found the files with the girls' names tabulated alphabetically. They found also the name of Mrs. Stanton.

"Baroness" of Galesburg

The arrest of Mrs. Stanton followed. The two apartments were only a few blocks apart, on the north side Gold Coast, along Lake Michigan.

The "baroness" said she was born in Galesburg, Ill., and acquired her title by marriage to a German nobleman she divorced in Chicago in 1910. Mrs. Kuhlweindt explained the splendor of her apartment, which was complete even to a Negro maid, by an "inheritance" of \$100,000 she said was left by a fiancé.

PHILLIPS IS FREED IN MURDER CASE

Prosecutor Files for Dismissal of Wife Death Charges.

A motion to nolle the first degree murder indictment against Alva J. Phillips, 58, of 1337 South Meridian street, in the death of his wife, Mrs. Mary J. Phillips, was filed Tuesday afternoon in criminal court by Prosecutor Herbert E. Wilson.

"Evidence against Phillips does not warrant a trial," Wilson declared. An order for exhumation of the body of Mrs. Phillips also was revoked with dismissal of the case.

Mrs. Phillips was found clubbed to death in the kitchen of her home Jan. 16. The husband was arrested and afterward released under \$10,000 bond, when witnesses testified in court that he was not at home at the supposed time of the murder.

WORKS BOARD GETS BIDS ON WIDENING

Four Street Projects Included in Contractors' Offers.

Bids for widening and improving four streets were received by the works board today.

Projects include West New York street from Blake to Beauty avenue, Pennsylvania from Thirtieth to Thirty-second, Pennsylvania from Thirty-second to Thirty-fourth, and Talbot street from Thirtieth street about 330 feet north.

All bids were referred to City Engineer A. H. Moore for tabulation and recommendation.

The board rejected petition for a sewer and improvement of Oxford street from Thirty-fourth to Thirty-sixth streets.

RADIO BID ACCEPTED

Safety Board Approves Offer on Willard Park Project.

Bid of the Graybar Electric Company for a radio transmitter to be used in the new police radio station now under construction in Willard park, was accepted by the safety board today. The bid, totaling \$5,698, must be approved by city council.

FOUND LASTING RELIEF FROM ASTHMA

Was Better in 4 Days, Trouble Left and Has Not Returned.

Folks who have choked all night from asthma or bronchial trouble will be glad to read what W. H. Hughes, 2828 Clifton St., Indianapolis, Ind., says:

"I had asthma for 3 years. I could work only half the time. Before I began taking Nacor in April, 1928, I was completely down, and hadn't been in bed for 3 weeks. In 4 days, relief came and I could sleep soundly. My asthma soon disappeared, and has not troubled me since."

Hundreds of people who suffered for years from asthma and bronchial coughs, state that their trouble left and has not returned. Their letters and a booklet of vital information will be sent free by Nacor Medicine Co., 408 State Life Bldg., Indianapolis, Ind. Call or write for this free information, and find out how thousands have found lasting relief.—Advertisement.

11 Die in Tunnel Fire



Eleven men were killed and scores injured, some seriously, when fire broke out in a tunnel thirty-five feet under a Chicago street and filled the bore with smoke that overcame workmen and firemen.

This photo shows some of the men, unconscious or gasping for air, being brought to the surface after a few minutes in the tunnel.

FISCAL YEAR OF SCHOOLS CHANGED

Resolution for \$200,000 Temporary Loan Adopted by Board.

The board of school commissioners Tuesday night adopted a resolution changing the fiscal year of the school city from a calendar year to a school year, with budgeting on the basis of July 1 to June 30 for the next year.

This action will permit the commissioners to prepare the new budget.

A. B. Good, business director, said the old basis of operation was prohibited, and that salaries and supplies were budgeted on a school year basis in the past.

Prior to the board's official meeting an unofficial "closed door" session was held in Good's office, with some of the board members present.

Resolutions providing for \$200,000 temporary loan to pay salaries and expenses pending receipt of spring taxes; of condonation for deceased teachers, and perfunctory reports were approved in rapid fashion by the board.

"Appreciation was expressed by Russell Wilson, president, and other members, for the appearance of a delegation from the Christian Park district with "thank you's" for the new structure at School No. 82.

School Is Named

The board adopted a request of the delegation that School No. 82 carry the name "Christian Park school" in addition to its number.

The board approved the appointment of the citizens' library advisory committee for 1931 as presented by Luther L. Dickerson, city librarian. The appointees are:

Mrs. Will H. Adams, Mrs. Fred Balz, Hilton J. Brown, Mrs. Lee Burns, D. Laurence Chambers, Robert Morris M. Fournier, Herbert E. Light, Rev. Mr. Francis H. Gavick, Boyd Gurley, Dr. Murray N. Hadley, Thomas C. Howe, Mrs. W. H. Insley, Harry E. Jordan, Hugh McK. Landon, Arthur D. Pratt, Mrs. Kate Miller, Rabb. Theodore Stempel, James A. Stuart, William M. Taylor, Charles N. Thompson, Guy A. Wainwright, Dr. Frank S. C. Wicks and Evans Woolen.

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\$300 Shower

By Times Special

MUNCIE, Ind., April 15.—Mark Miltenberger stood under a shower bath in the Muncie Y. M. C. A. for twenty minutes and it cost him \$300. While he was away from his room, a thief took a diamond ring, \$75, and \$25 in cash.

PRaise Judge Baker

Police Heads Credit Him With Crime Reduction.

Severity of Criminal Judge Frank P. Baker and Prosecutor Herbert E. Wilson in dealing with criminals substantially has reduced crime in Indianapolis and the county, according to police statistics announced today.

Both Police Chief Jerry Kinney and Detective Chief Fred Simon have written letters to the judge and prosecutor giving them credit for curbing crime.

The letter set out that \$227,163.23 worth of stolen goods has been recovered since Baker took the bench in January.

"We feel the heavy sentences you have given the criminals coming to you has been a big factor in helping this department keep down the crime condition," the letter said.

NO BIDS FOR BONDS

Pending Litigation Prevents Offer on Sewer Issues.

Pending litigation today resulted in the city sanitary board failing to receive any bids on three sewer bond issues advertised for today.

The sewers and bond issues to be sold are Irvington, \$108,000; Broad Ripple, \$266,000, and Pogue's Run, \$35,000. Board members expected bids would be submitted following clearing away of legal matters.

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WITNESSES PIN SALES OF JOBS ON ROWBOTTOM

\$800 Paid for Postmaster Berth He Didn't Get, Says Dale Man.

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by Rowbottom that he was asking \$800 for the post.

Nelson A. Tracy, Washington, D. C., superintendent of division of postal rates, identified two letters and a telegram which Rowbottom sent the postoffice department canceling a previous recommendation for Wibbeler and naming Johnson for the postmastership at Dale.

George L. Wood, Washington, D. C., superintendent of rural mails, also identified the same letters, telegrams and telephone calls among various principals involved in alleged purchases of postoffices were traced by officials of the company.

Bills Are Marked

The number of bills paid Rowbottom were noted by Harry Bennett, Rockport, former Spencer county G. O. P. chairman, and he testified how he perforated the corner of each bill with a needle "so that they might be traced." Cross-examination revealed that the present first district chairman, Benjamin F. Huffman, Rockport, who is a strong Watson adherent, was cognizant of the plan to give Rowbottom the marked money.

All of this testimony was corroborated carefully, and in a desperate attempt to offset this dangerous evidence the defense counsel, Raymond Springer, Connersville, and Gould attempted by cross-examination to show that Rowbottom was the victim of an entrapment scheme.

The afternoon session came to a close with the testimony of Wellbrenner to the effect that, acting as an agent for Rowbottom, he collected \$800 from Johnson for the position of postmaster at Dale.

Required to Pay

Johnson declared that he went to Mt. Vernon Nov. 21, 1930, after the election to learn from Wellbrenner what his chances were to obtain the appointment.

"We decided," testified Johnson, "that I wouldn't get it unless I paid for it."

I told Wellbrenner to find out from Rowbottom the least he would take for it. And Wellbrenner told me that he thought Rowbottom wanted \$800 for the job. I told him that was a lot of money, and he answered that many were seeking it."

On Nov. 29, 1930, Johnson said, he met Rowbottom at his office here and discussed the conversation he had held with the campaign manager.

\$800 Given as Price

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Miss President



That sunny California smile must have had a lot to do with Sarah Jenkins' election as president of the senior class at Radcliffe college, Cambridge, Mass., the other day.

Here you see President Jenkins as she took office. Her home is in Mill Valley, Cal.

JIM REED WINS RAIL SKIRMISH

Charges B. & O. Proposed Merger Is 'Farce.'

By United Press

WASHINGTON, April 15.—James A. Reed, white-haired but vigorous former senator from Missouri, has emerged from his first argument before the interstate commerce commission with success rewarding his efforts.

Reed, representing Chicago & Alton stockholders in opposition to the plan of the Baltimore & Ohio to acquire control of the bankrupt western railroad, obtained a postponement of the hearing over the protests of Baltimore & Ohio counsel.

The hearing will be continued on May 4, when Reed will have an opportunity to present evidence which he promised would be "of a rather startling nature."

Developing the assertion that the proposed transaction was "worse than a farce," Reed charged that financial operations of Kuhn, Loeb & Co., were of a deceitful nature, and that the Baltimore & Ohio was planning to acquire the Chicago & Alton at a fraction of its real worth.

Matrimonial Speed

By Times Special

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 15.—Miss Margaret Stephens, 19, and Raymond Jourdan, 25, obtained a marriage license here a few minutes after she was divorced from Walter Kenne.

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'CONFESSION' ON GIRL SYNDICATE IS INTRODUCED

Allowed as Evidence in Case Which Involves Alexander Pantages.

By United Press

SAN DIEGO, Cal., April 15.—A "confession" of Olive Clark Day and William Jobelmann, charging Alexander Pantages and Jesse Shreve with statutory offenses "involving minor girls, was in evidence today.

Hearing of five defendants in the San Diego "girl syndicate" scandal drew near a close.

The "confession" was introduced by Leslie T. White, Los Angeles, investigator, who said Jobelmann and Mrs. Day made it to him.

He claimed they told him that two 17-year-old girls, whom they introduced to the rich men, told them later of improper acts after a party in an exclusive hotel here last October.

Justice of Peace Arthur Mundo ruled the "confession" should apply only to the cases of Mrs. Day and Jobelmann.

The pair were accused of contributing to the delinquency of minors by bringing Helen Livingston and Lydia Nitto to San Diego for the party to which Pantages, Shreve and John P. Mills were charged with going.

Miss Livingston testified Tuesday she could not recall whether Shreve had attacked her. She said, however, she remembered that he entered her room, sat down and left when she asked him to.

NEW RAIL DEVELOPED

Heavier, Stronger Type Will Sustain 100,000-Pound Axle Load.

Pennsylvania railroad officials here today announced development of a new type of rail, heavier and stronger than any now in use. It will sustain 100,000 pounds maximum axle loads at 100 miles an hour, compared with the present standard rail, capable of sustaining 80,000-pound loads at eighty miles an hour.

ROB JEWEL SALESMAN

Hotel Holdup Men Get \$23,000 From New Yorker.

By United Press

CLEVELAND, April 15.—Herman Sagman, New York jewelry salesman, was robbed of jewelry valued at \$23,000 by two men who held him up at his hotel here, police reported today.

Sheridan Man Dies