

U. S. SMASHES AT MARRIAGE, BIRTH RACKET

Fraud Orders Ban Thirteen
Concerns From Using
the Mails.

By *UPI*—Howard Newspaper Alliance
WASHINGTON, April 27.—The government today took steps to break up a brand new mail order scheme, whose backers had sought to capitalize marriage and birth, by holding out alluring promises of financial returns to prospective brides and grooms and expectant mothers.

Postmaster General Walter F. Brown, at the request of Solicitor Horace J. Donnelly, issued fraud orders barring thirteen such concerns from using the mails following complaints from men and women in all sections of the country that they had been victimized.

Concerns against which the fraud orders were issued include the Babyland Co-Operative Society, San Antonio; the Successful Marriage and Birth Endowment Association of Houston; American Birth Benefit Association, San Antonio, and Milam Marriage Endowment Association, Oklahoma City.

Put Out Alluring Ads

In each case the plan of operation is substantially the same, Donnelly said. "Agents are employed to obtain members in so-called mutual benefit associations, and advertisements issued, indicating that single persons by making small monthly payments may receive amounts ranging from \$250 to \$4,000 when they marry, or married persons may receive similar amounts when a baby is born."

All of the concerns put out alluring advertising. A typical headline follows: "Your opportunity could come in \$1,000 upon marriage."

Another, after telling of the glory of motherhood and the "unselfish, unwavering, loyalty of mother love," advises all expectant mothers to end their worries by joining the association.

Always the 'Catch'

"If you have been a member three months your association will pay you \$250; if six months you get \$500; if nine months \$750. The amount may vary slightly from this sum, due to its being determined by the membership, but this is the scale," read a portion of one advertisement.

The ad indicated that each member is assessed 3 1/4 cents for each birth if the parent has been a member three months and proportionate amounts for longer terms. Failure to pay assessments voided each policy.

"Of course the catch in the scheme is that no member has any idea how many assessments might be levied, and thousands of persons, lured by the bait, by paying the small amount monthly, hundreds of dollars would be paid on marriage or birth, joined the associations," Solicitor Donnelly said.

'JIMMY' BLAMES REDS

New York Mayor Claims Attacks Are Part of National Campaign.

By *UPI*
NEW YORK, April 27.—Mayor James J. Walker said the attacks on his office are part of a national campaign by Communists to undermine municipal, state and federal governments in the United States.

Communists are making him the "goat" and the "target to shoot at" in their attacks at the foundations of good government, Walker told 2,500 firemen of the Holy Name Society Sunday. He attacked the religion of those who have brought charges of misfeasance against him and termed them "parlor Communists."

LIFT TOOTH FROM LUNG

Woman Swallows Molar; Rushed by Plane to Ohio Doctor.

By *UPI*
CHICAGO, April 27.—Mrs. Ellen Williams, 28, was believed recovering today after an emergency airplane trip to a Columbus (O.) hospital, where a tooth she had swallowed was removed from her lung.

Mrs. Williams missed the tooth about ten days ago. A few days later she became ill. Pneumonia developed, X-rays showed the trouble was caused by the tooth. She was taken to Columbus Saturday by plane. Dr. Charles S. Bowen removed the tooth and she was brought back by plane Sunday.

BANDITS SLAY HOOSIER

Two Shoot Down Peru Confectionery Owner and Escape.

By *UPI*
PERU, Ind., April 27.—Clarence E. Beachamp, 40, was slain at his home here today as he resisted two holdup men. They fired three shots, one striking Beachamp in the head.

Beachamp, who operated a confectionery and luncheon, was putting his automobile in a garage when the men approached. Henry Hebe, a neighbor, heard the shots and saw the men flee in an auto. Beachamp leaves his widow.

CLEAN RUGS

Are a Prime Requisite
for the Sanitary Home
LET YOUR RUGS BE A
PLAYGROUND OF CLEANLINESS

Rugs collect more dirt than any other article of furniture. Why not let us clean them with the gentle suds of real Ivory soap?

The shampoo process of cleaning is economical. We will clean your 9x12 rugs for \$3.00

Size 50¢
Extra

Paul H. Krauss Laundry

Krauss Laundry and Cleaning Are Kind to Your Clothes.

Dry Cleaning RIley 4591

Rug Cleaning

Marriage Is Postponed; Film Star Goes Fishing



Dorothy Mackall

By *UPI*

HONOLULU, T. H., April 27.

Dorothy Mackall, film star, who last week postponed her marriage to Neil Albert Miller because of "urgent business in Hollywood," was discovered on a fishing party today, her scheduled departure on the liner Malolo also having been deferred.

When she announced that her wedding to the son of a prominent Los Angeles family had been

put off, Miss Mackall said she would sail for the mainland last Saturday. She spent the weekend on a fishing cruise, caught 175 pounds of fish, and the Malolo sailed without her.

Friends of the film player said she might sail on the Malolo's next voyage, and Miss Mackall confirmed this, "unless there is more good fishing."

Her catch Sunday included two one fish, four tuna, and two kawakawa fish.

POLICE HOLD BOYS

Two Are Caught Ransacking
ing Allison Home.

Found ransacking the mansion on the estate of the late James A. Allison, on Cold Spring road, late Sunday, two youths were held by police today on burglary charges.

Caretakers found them on the premises and the youths admitted to police they had stolen a radio at the house earlier in the day.

Police said they found the radio at the home of one of the boys.

Attempted robbery of the Caplin delicatessen, 949 North Illinois street, was frustrated Sunday night when Mrs. Sam Caplin screamed for police. The bandit had forced Mrs. Caplin to the family living quarters in the rear of the store.

KILLS WIFE AND SELF

Connecticut Man, However, Makes
No Effort to Harm Visitor.

By *UPI*
SOUTHBURY, Conn., April 27.—Edgar Oxford, pheasant breeder, walked into a bedroom in which his wife, Bertha, and Miss Winifred Gilford, a visitor from New York, were sleeping early today, shot his wife dead, then killed himself.

Miss Gilford, hysterical, told police she was awakened by the report of the gun. Oxford made no effort to harm Miss Gilford.

POLAND IN FLOOD GRIP

1,000 Are Homeless, Several Dead as
Rivers Overrun Borderlands.

By *UPI*
WARSAW, Poland, April 27.—A serious flood situation prevailed today in the eastern borderlands of Poland, particularly in the vicinity of the city of Vilna.

The rivers Vily, Vilejka and Wilenka were rising rapidly to flood vast areas of low-lying terrain. About 1,000 families were homeless and several deaths were reported.

3 HELD AS FUGITIVES

Indianapolis Police Take Men for
Anderson Authorities.

Three men were held here today as fugitives for Anderson authorities, who say they will question them concerning theft of several musical instruments from a store there Saturday night.

They are: Harvey LeFever, 24, and Herman Hutchins, 40, of 232 North Oriental street, and Vern Wells, 26, of 540 Massachusetts avenue.

Conducted and Independent Tours to

Europe

No longer is a trip to Europe possible for the wealthy alone. Today a comprehensive tour of the major parts of interest may be made at a surprisingly low cost. Whether you plan to join one of the many low-cost conducted tours—or desire to see Europe leisurely "on your own"—you'll profit by letting us care for all the details of your trip. We are agents for all steamship lines and tour companies. May we not help you plan your tour?

RICHARD A. KURTZ, Manager Travel Bureau
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