

BEAUTY FACES DEATH TRIAL IN LONDON COURT

Wife of American Singer Is Accused of Slaying British Admirer.

LONDON, July 4.—Tremendous interest centered today on the opening of the trial of the beautiful Mrs. Elvira Barney, accused of killing William Stephen.

She pleaded not guilty.

The case centered about the gay life of the younger set, which recently has made Williams Mews a fashionable playground.

Mrs. Barney, daughter of a titled father and the estranged wife of an American singer, had taken over a flat in the district where regularly there were evenings of gaiety.

Stephen was one of her admirers. Neighbors have told of many noisy evenings, particularly one night shortly before Stephen's death, when Mrs. Barney is reported to have leaned from a window and fired one shot at him, after screaming:

"Laugh, baby, laugh."

The shot went astray. On May 31, however, a shot was heard within the apartment and neighbors claim to have heard Mrs. Barney shout:

"Chicken, chicken, come back to me."

Mrs. Barney was taken to prison, and at arraignment almost collapsed, pleading her innocence.

Under British law conviction would mean, almost automatically, imposition of the death sentence.

ECONOMY MOVE OUSTS GOVERNMENT EXPERTS

Two Scientists Will Be Retired by "Thrifty" Measure.

WASHINGTON, July 4.—Palemon H. Dorsett, veteran plant explorer for the United States department of agriculture, is one of the men whose expert services are lost to the government through provisions of the economy bill calling for compulsory retirement of those who have reached retirement age.

Dorsett has been with the department of agriculture for more than thirty years and during that time his interest in and devotion to the introduction of valuable plants into this country from abroad. His search for disease resistant types, new crops of economic importance, or plants of rare beauty has taken him to far corners of the globe.

He was leader of the United States agricultural expedition to Brazil in 1913 and 1914, and spent the years 1924 to 1927 in China and Manchuria.

Another outstanding scientist, who must give up his vital research, is Dr. H. H. Kimball of the United States weather bureau. Dr. Kimball is an expert on atmospheric circulation, radiation from sun and sky, and other phases of meteorology.

VETERANS MAY SPREAD DYSENTERY EPIDEMIC

Rural Areas Reported in Danger From Bonus Army Outbreak.

WASHINGTON, July 4.—People living in rural areas are in greater danger from the threatened epidemic of dysentery in the veterans' camp near here than are residents of the District of Columbia or of other cities, in the opinion of health officials.

This is because rural areas generally lack the sanitary facilities and careful protection of food and water supplies that metropolitan areas enjoy.

The outbreak of dysentery in the veterans' camp is not unexpected. Surgeon-General H. H. Henshaw, in a letter to the United States public health service on June 11 called the sanitary facilities at the camp "entirely inadequate and dangerous," in a warning to health officers throughout the country and epidemics might follow the route of the men when they returned to their homes.

The country towns and farm settlements of the nearby states, Maryland and Virginia, are thought to be menaced particularly.

LICENSE FEE LIKELY IN BANKRUPTCY SALES

Council Ponders \$25 Assessment on "Distressed Goods."

Ordinance prohibiting the sale of "distressed" goods, except under city license, will be under consideration by the city council in a special meeting Tuesday night. The special meeting was called because of the July 4 holiday.

The proposed ordinance which was submitted at the previous meeting requires a license for bankrupt and receivers' sales at a fee of \$25, plus \$2 for each thousand dollars of inventory. The period of the license is set at ninety days. Renewal may be had on payment of an additional fee of \$25 for each day beyond the initial period.

Adding to or altering the stock will not be permitted during the term of the license. It is understood that the ordinance is sponsored by the Better Business Bureau. Penalty for violation of the ordinance is set at a fine not greater than \$300, imprisonment not exceeding ninety days, or both.

HIT IRISH WITH TARIFF

Britain Opens Economic Drive With Heavy Export Duties.

LONDON, July 4.—Great Britain today prepared for its economic drive against the Irish Free State government of President Eamon De Valera.

In commons, a measure was prepared for a tariff on Irish exports which will amount up to 100 per cent. While there is some opposition—mainly from the labor group—this is expected to be overridden easily with the possibility the tariff will become a law by Friday.

Palestine's Dead sea, forty-seven miles long and ten miles wide, does not contain any living creature. It is to be exploited for its chemical contents, estimated to be worth more than \$1,180,000,000,000.

PICTURES TELL STAGE HISTORY

Collection Worth Fortune Is Prized by 'First Nighter'

Harold Seton is hailed as the champion first-nighter of the American stage. More than 100 premieres have given him an almost unbroken record of success. This is the fourth of a series of interviews with Joseph Mitchell, Times staff writer.

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FROM the villas of retired actresses in the theatrical colony of Monte Carlo, and from the scrap books of venerable but insolvent playhouses on Shaftesbury avenue, the Grande boulevard and Broadway, and from the auctions of actors' effects and the bankruptcies of stage magazines have come the 10,000 photographs of actors and actresses owned by Harold Seton, dean of Manhattan's first nighters.

Here is Chauncey Olcott when he was "the servant girl's delight." Here is a faded photograph of the shameless, drowsy Olga Neherole.

Here is a rare glimpse of Phineas T. Barnum's two prim midgets, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Thumb. And here is a picture of Amelia Bingham praying beside her celebrated bed, the same bed which the irreverent Mae West later exposed for the laughter of the multitude in "Diamond Lil."

These photographs collected by Seton form a forthright and unalterable record of the rise and decline of the major players of the last three generations.

It is a record with benefit of the eulphemistic press agent or the sentimental memory.

HERE is the record of the stout-hearted Marie Dressler from the time she punched Joe Weber in the ribs as a coy music-hall gesture until she stole the film from Garbo in "Anna Christie."

Here is Ethel Barrymore as she appeared for the first time in public, as a maid in "Rosemary" in 1896, at the Garrick. It was on this occasion that her uncle, John Drew, told her, "Now speak well, Ethel and I'll give you a big red apple," beginning one of the most pleasant customs of the American stage.

And here is Ethel Barrymore, a veteran player, as the sturdy Negress, "Scarlet Sister Mary."

And here, a treasure for students of trends and tendencies, are bundles of tiny lithographs of burlesque girls which once were given away with purchases of cigars.

Once considered wicked by ministers and feared by small boys, the portraits now are collected by museums and historical societies.

"When I was a school boy," Seton said, "I went regularly to Saturday matinees. At that time children collected pictures of theatrical people."

The boys cared most for pictures of Lillian Russell in a sailor's uniform, and Frankie Bailey in tights. They were swapped and fought over. Some times they were bartered for marbles.

"Well, most boys became less interested in the stage as they grew older. I never lost interest. I was a recognized first nighter at 16."

I never cared for athletics. I cared only for the stage. I first saved the pictures of stars, I think, as a tangible record of the first nights I had attended. I did not save the cigar pictures at first. I never smoked.

THEN, toward the end of what are now considered the gay '90s, I found that my collection was becoming valuable. When a famous actor died, newspaper editors asked me for pictures. I became proud of the collection and decided to make it representative.

"Well, I made trips to Boston, Washington, Philadelphia and Baltimore, the towns in which the old stars made their greatest successes, and I passed long, pleasant hours searching through dusty old book and print shops. I went to auctions and to the dreary sales of actors' effects."

"Each year I go abroad and I know many famous old actresses living in retirement in Paris, London, and in the aristocratic the-



—From the Harold Seton Collection.
Billy Burke in 1906 and, in circle, Amelia Bingham beside her famous bed.

atrical colony at Monte Carlo. They saved pictures for me.

"I have made eighteen trips to the continent and each time I came back with bundles of photographs. And I remember I bought many pictures from Ritzman's old shop on Fifth avenue, near Madison Square. That fine old store disappeared long ago."

"And when the Theater Magazine went out of business, I bought 1,000 pictures from its 'morgue.' David Belasco gave me many pictures of actresses who once acted for him. He was very interested in my collection. He also gave me many valuable stage books."

Recently, to have more space for his collection, Mr. Seton moved from a suite at the Vanderbilt hotel to a large apartment at 400 East Forty-second street. He stacked the pictures in old highboys and lowboys and valuable colonial cabinets.

Sometimes the apartment is crowded with people looking at photographs. Stage people from abroad make it a point to see the Seton collection.

A few years ago he gave 350 photographs to the New York Historical Society and last summer he sold 650 to Yale university.

"MY most valuable picture is one of Jenny Lind singing at the old Castle Garden on the Battery, the building which was later made into the Aquarium," said Seton. "Then there is the photograph of Edwin Booth as a young man. And the picture of Amelia Bingham kneeling beside her grotesque, swan-shaped, bed."

"She was a strange woman. She originally was Amelia Swiley from Hicksville, O. She became very rich and when Clyde Fitch, the playwright, died, Miss Bingham bought all the huge statues in sunken gardens and grounds at Greenwich, Conn."

She brought the statues down to Manhattan and bought a house on Riverside drive in which to store them.

"In the windows she set up

—From the Harold Seton Collection.
Texas Guinan in "The Girl of Hell's Agony."

great statues of fauns and mermaids. Passersby used to wonder what the statuary was doing in the windows of the fantastic house."

"Over the front door she placed a bust of Shakespeare, and in the front hall there was a brass cannon. She had black lace curtains. People once considered the house Riverside drive's most preposterous residence."

"Every photograph means a story to me. The fact that Amelia Bingham's drawings were decorated with gold coronets means to me that the young lady from Hicksville, who had made a fortune from "The Climbers," considered herself 'the Queen of the Drama.'"

"And here is an early photograph of the nunlike Maude Adams. I remember how sad I was when I saw Miss Adams on the first night of Rosland's robust 'Chanticleer.'"

"That was at the Knickerbocker in 1911. She made a mistake. It was a flop. How sad I was!"

"I LOOK at this picture of Sir Herbert Tree, made when he was Mr. Beerbohm Tree, and look at this picture of the dignified Edith Wynne Matthison. Once Sir Herbert and Matthison were playing in an ornate costume play and he was in the robes of a cardinal."

"I became irked by Matthison's prim and proper diction. Suddenly he turned to the actress, who was a pillar of conservatism, and shocked her with the whispered

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There are others with switches, fringes, rats, curls. There are sentimental poses of actresses in studio snowflakes. There are pictures of corpulent ladies fondling doves, picking daisies and looking upward to heaven.

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CALLOUSNESS TO FARMER CHARGED

Federation Head Assails 'Indifference' of Both Parties, Congress.

OTTUMWA, Ia., July 4.—Edward A. O'Neal, president of the American Farm Bureau Federation, today charged congress and the national political conventions with showing a "callousness and even defiant indifference to the welfare of agriculture."

Speaking at a Fourth of July celebration, O'Neal called for 10,000,000 agriculturists to band themselves in a militant group to restore agricultural stability and the nation's prosperity.

"Greedy financial and industrial interests," O'Neal said, "control the lion's share of the national income, and have forgotten that farmers have been the chief factor in national development."

"While the platforms of both the Democratic and Republican parties contain some of the suggestions of the organized farmers, the Democratic platform is a bit more definite. But I reserve further comment until the platforms are interpreted by the nominees."

O'Neal said that pledges of restored equality to agriculture made four years ago by both major parties had been unredempted.

"The inequality of agriculture is far worse than in 1929. Then agriculture's purchasing power was only 10 per cent below the normal point," he said. "Today it is 50 per cent below that parity."

HEARST'S SON INJURED

Newspaper Publisher Slightly Hurt in and Spill.

SANTA BARBARA, July 4.—George Hearst, son of William Randolph Hearst and San Francisco newspaper publisher, was injured slightly Sunday night in an automobile accident as he was driving from a party given by Clark Gable, film actor.

ROOKIE CITIZEN TROOPS START DRILLS TUESDAY

Col. William R. Standiford Will Train Cadets at Fort Harrison.

Citizens' military training camp will open Tuesday at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, according to Colonel William R. Standiford, commandant of the Eleventh infantry, which will train the citizen cadets.

Only guard and fatigue are on the official program of the officers and men at the fort today. All, however, were ordered to assist in the enrollment of the early arrivals starting at 11 this afternoon.

Forty-eight guns were to be fired at noon in observance of Independence day.

Officers of the Three hundred thirty-first infantry, a reserve outfit from Cleveland, O., were to report today for two weeks' duty with the C. M. T. C., Lieutenant-Colonel Harry G. Hawley, regular army instructor with the reserves, already has reported.

The Eleventh infantry was to play polo at 3 today with Rolling Ridge.

FRENCH SAVANT OFF TO ARCTIC

Noted Geographer to Study Ocean Currents.

ST. MALO, France, July 4.—Dr. Jean Charcot's expedition to the polar regions sailed Sunday on the research ship Pourquoi Pas to spend a year at Scoresby Sound, Greenland, as the French contribution to the polar year of 1932-33.

The ship, a three-masted vessel, will join the ice breaker Pollux at the Faroe Islands.

The two vessels have stores for six months and, after landing the scientists at Scoresby sound, they will engage in separate oceanographic studies in Arctic waters before returning to France in mid-September.

The Pollux, under Captain Mailoux, carries members of the winter mission under Naval Lieutenant Habert, who will remain at Scoresby sound after installing a winter camp and aerologic observatory.

The Charcot expedition includes Professor Maurain, director of the Institute of Geography. Dr. Charcot, famous explorer and oceanographer, is 65 and his physicians have forbidden him to remain at Scoresby sound for the winter.

Service believes the chief benefits of the expeditions will be to aid in preparing for trans-Atlantic aviation routes, via Greenland.

I. O. O. F. RODEO, CIRCUS CLOSES

Delegations of Orphans See Matinees Free.

The rodeo and circus, presented under auspices of Indianapolis I. O. O. F. band at Pennys park, 2100 Southeastern avenue, ended Saturday night, after a week of performances before audiences of approximately 6,000 a night.

The circus opened June 26, and was staged to obtain funds for the benefit of needy Odd Fellows during the coming year. Delegations of orphans were admitted free at a number of the matinees.

Approximately 600 children of the local society club, and 135 from the board of Children's Guardians attended the Thursday matinee performance.

About a hundred children from the Marion county colored orphans' home and a hundred from the General Protestant Orphans' home attended the Saturday performance. The band also furnished transportation to the grounds for children and matrons.

'GANG' EATS FREE ICE CREAM AFTER CRASH

"Neighborhood Kids" Gorge Selves on Spilled Sweets.

Members of "the gang" in vicinity of Douglas street and Indiana avenue happily scooped up all the ice cream that spilled out of the truck of John Folors, 45, of 470 West Washington street, was struck by a Riverside street car.

The truck was driven by W. M. Barr, Negro, 20, of 921 Darnell street. Folors was injured seriously.

Thieves rifled cash in the truck's cash drawer before police arrived. Most of Folors' money, however, was in his coat which police found in the street, following the accident. The coat pocket contained \$105.

STEAL ALKY IN CRASH

Spectators Get Away With Ten Gallons in Car Wreck.

Somewhere on the east side Independence day was being celebrated in a "spirited" way with ten gallons of alcohol today.

The alcohol disappeared from a rum car which collided with an automobile driven by Joseph Cramer, 46, of 1726 Ludlow avenue, at Rural and Pruitt streets, after driver of the liquor car fled and Cramer called police.

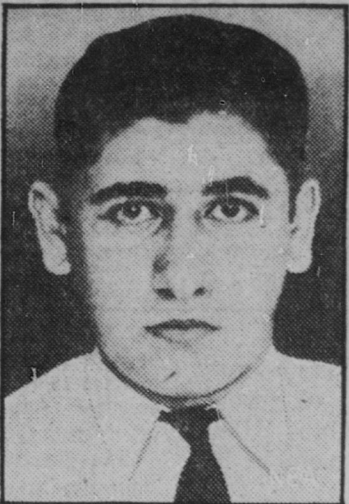
Officers arrived in time to salvage fifteen gallons before spectators removed all the evidence.

Vincent Scarfo, 2310 English avenue, who reported his car stolen shortly after the accident, was held by police.

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His mother's fight for his life having proved in vain, Paul Wexler, 18, waits at Hattiesburg, Miss., for execution set for July 14.

He was convicted of slaying J. L. Odom, filling station proprietor, in a holdup.

Mrs. Wexler has petitioned Governor Martin Connor to spare her son, on the ground that he is too young to be hanged.

13 DEAD IN BLAST

Premature Dynamite Explosion Brings Tragedy.

MANILA, July 4.—Efforts were being made today to identify thirteen men killed by a premature explosion of dynamite aboard a blasting boat at the mouth of the Cagayan river, the correspondent of the Herald Aperi reported.

Only one of the victims was known. He was Ross Hagler, engineer of the bureau of public works. The blast wrecked the boat and most of the bodies were lost, the correspondent reported.

The boat was engaged in removing rocks from the mouth of the river.

Alaska sable is a trade name for the fur of the common skunk.

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