

PARENTS FIGHT OVER CUSTODY OF YOUNG BOY

Father Gets Writ of Habeas Corpus to Bring Son, 5, Into Court.

Superior Judge Joseph R. Williams issued a writ of habeas corpus Friday ordering a mother, charged with illegally detaining her 5-year-old son, to appear in court with the boy, Aug. 8.

The writ was secured by the boy's father, Fred C. LaBoiteaux, Columbus, O., who petitioned on grounds that he "has legal custody of the child."

When divorced from his wife Ella, July 14, 1931, the petition stated, LaBoiteaux was given custody of the boy.

Last month, the wife persuaded the father to take the boy to her home, 908 Bosart avenue, "for a few days."

The father alleges she failed to return the boy.

"Mississippi Sage" Is Ill.

YAZOO CITY, Miss., Aug. 6.—Former Senator John Sharpe Williams, the "sage of Mississippi," was said by his physicians Friday to be seriously ill. The 78-year-old man, who retired from the senate to his plantation here nine years ago, suffered a heat stroke several days ago.

JUDGE PAYS FOR CALL, SO FINE CAN BE PAID

Bodner Hands Nickel to Defendant, Who Hasn't a Penny.

Sebastien Metz, 55, of 511 North New Jersey street, was in a predicament Friday when he was fined \$10 on a charge of drunkenness and had no money.

Sol C. Bodner, special municipal judge, when apprised of the case suggested that Metz have a friend bring the money to the courtroom.

Metz was in favor of going home after the money, but Bodner vetoed the suggestion.

"You'll have to telephone," the judge ruled.

"But I haven't got a cent," complained Metz.

Bodner considered a moment, thrust his hand into his pocket, and tossed Metz a nickel for the court's pay telephone.

CITY MAN HURT IN TRIPLE AUTO CRASH

One Motorist Is Arrested As Result of North Side Collision.

Collision of two automobiles and a truck at Twenty-fifth and New Jersey streets resulted in injury of one motorist and arrest of another.

Floyd Suhre, 29, of 2447 North Pennsylvania street, suffered a broken shoulder, when thrown from a truck driven by his brother, K. D. Suhre, 23, same address.

R. D. Baker, Pendleton, one of the drivers, was arrested on a charge of failure to stop at a preferential street.

The third driver was C. L. Bowen, 54, of 2609 Central avenue.

DE PRIEST IS SPEAKER

Chicago Congressman Talks at Convention of Negro Bar Group.

Unscheduled addresses by two Negroes of national prominence in politics marked the program of the National Bar Association's eighth annual convention at the Walker casino Friday night.

Members of the Negro bar group heard Oscar De Priest, Chicago representative in congress from Illinois, charge race discrimination in labor developments at the Hoover dam, but express the opinion that the discrimination is due more to local contractors than to the government.

Everett W. Howard, Missouri, only Negro national committeeman, also spoke.

Several hundred persons attended a reception and dance in honor of the delegates Friday night.

The party will end today with a barbecue at 2:30 at Richmond.

CHAPELS SPRINGING UP

Small Rural Churches Again Coming Into Prominence.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Aug. 6.—The small, rural chapels again are coming into prominence as a part of the church in New Mexico, Colorado and Texas.

More than 250 of the deserted crossroads chapels, which were abandoned during the urbanward population movement, will be reoccupied within the next few months in these states by the Methodist church alone, Bishop Sam R. Hay said.

The economic situation with the accompanying trend away from the city, has brought a need for reviving rural churches, Bishop Hay said.

HUNT MISSING BOY, 14

City Lad Missing From Home Since Early Tuesday.

Jacob William Thornberry, 14, son of Mrs. Anna Thornberry, 857 North Delaware street, has been missing from his home since Tuesday morning, according to his mother.

She learned that he was reported seen at Pennsylvania and Market streets Thursday afternoon. He is 5 feet 4 inches tall, with dark eyes and hair and weighs 110 pounds.

It is thought he may have gone south. He was wearing corduroy trousers, tan tennis shoes and blue-gray sweater.

PLUMBERS ARE ROBBED

\$297 Loot Taken From Auto; Shop of Another Man Looted.

Plumbing fixtures and tools valued at \$297 were stolen Thursday night from the automobile of Edward F. Kinney, parked in the rear of his home at 946 North Meridian street, he told police Friday.

Burglars in the plumbing shop of William Callahan, 2145 North Illinois street, took a \$15 typewriter, \$3 worth of stamps and a water faucet.

Letters Bare Romance Ending in Death Trial for English Air Pilot



Here's a new picture of Mrs. Jessie M. Keith-Miller, Australian aviatrix, central figure in the sensational triangle murder trial at Miami, Fla.

Story of Hunger, Then of Wild Love Revealed in Lancaster Case.

MIAMI, Fla., Aug. 6.—Letters that told of Captain W. N. Lancaster's love for Mrs. Jessie M. Keith-Miller and his trust in Haden Clarke were read by State Attorney N. Vernon Hawthorne Friday as the state sought to establish a motive for the death of Clarke, with whose murder Lancaster is charged.

The letters to Mrs. Keith-Miller proclaimed a wild love, tinged by seriousness of finding himself in circumstances bordering on absolute poverty. Portions of a diary, telling of his love for the woman, were heard.

Most of the letters were written after Lancaster found himself almost stranded in the west, where he had gone to investigate a proposed airline.

"I have eaten only one 30-cent meal in four days—thank Haden for his kindness to me. Oh, to give you a great big hug and feel you close to me once more. I wish you were here with us. This bird is damnably cold," one note said.

Tells of Quarrel

These letters were written before Lancaster found Clarke was to marry Mrs. Keith-Miller, his flying partner and sweetheart for five years. Clarke was found fatally shot in the room he occupied with Lancaster the day after the latter had made a hurried flight from St. Louis to Miami.

The men quarreled before going to bed that night, said Mrs. Keith-Miller.

Lancaster had gone away and left Clarke living in the same house with Mrs. Keith-Miller. He was to "ghost-write" a book of the woman's aerial adventures, hoping to sell it and bring them money, of which they had little. While together they fell in love.

Reads Her Letters

Hawthorne read letters written by Mrs. Keith-Miller to Lancaster.

"We are living on bread and jam. We have no car. If you think you are having a hell of a time, don't think my life is a bed of roses. . . ."

Another time she wrote "Haden is so damn lazy he isn't getting anywhere with the book. . . . We have only 70 cents left and a continuous stream of collectors at the door. . . . We used part of the cat's hamburger for dinner." In one letter she almost demanded financial help from Lancaster.

He replied the men had gone west with J. B. Russell and J. M. Tancor, had disappointed him; they had no money, and "Russell is a crook."

Then Hawthorne, just before court adjourned, read a letter from Clarke to Lancaster, revealing the remorse he felt at taking Mrs. Keith-Miller away from the Britisher.

'Hell for One of Us'

"I know it is going to be a hell of a blow to you, old boy, but I am faced with the obvious choice of hell for one of us and heaven for two of us, or certain hell for two of us."

Before the letters were read, Russell finished his testimony that began Thursday when he said that Lancaster, while they were in Hollywood, learned of the planned wedding of Clarke and Mrs. Keith-Miller and, in a fit of rage, shouted, "I'll get rid of him."

Under bitter cross-questioning by Defense Attorney James M. Carson, Russell admitted he had been brought to the courtroom from Dade county jail, where he is serving a sentence and that he had served a term for smuggling Syrians across the Mexican border.

MRS. BENDIX WEDS

Auto Chief's Divorced Wife Marries Easterner.

NEW YORK, Aug. 6.—Mrs. Elizabeth C. Bendix, divorced on July 27 in Chicago from Vincent Bendix, millionaire auto accessories manufacturer, was married Friday to William Blake of Freeport, N. Y.

Coal Operators' Chief Dead

LITCHFIELD, Ill., Aug. 6.—Edward C. Cahill, 69, Duquoin, assistant commissioner of the Illinois Coal Operators' Association, died here Friday.

STONES BRING MONEY

Jobless Man Makes His Living Now by Building Rock Gardens.

SPRING VALLEY, Wis., Aug. 5.—Weather eaten limestone found in ravines near Spring Valley has been developed into a profitable business by Fred Anderson, who lost his former job early this summer.

He sells the stone to landscape gardeners and home owners for rock gardens.

OGDEN MILLS CZAR OF ALL G. O. P. WORDS

Checks All Statements as to Policy and Strategy Before Their Release.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 5.—The editor-in-chief of the Republican political statement department appears to be Treasury Secretary Ogden Mills.

And endless stream of campaign statements is rolling out of the mimeographs in the Republican national headquarters in the Barr building.

James West, national committee publicity director, former newspaper correspondent, reads copy and improves the diction.

But before West lays his expert eyes on the copy it probably has been first scrutinized by Secretary Mills for checking as to policy and strategy.

There is even some suspicion that he genial Mills does a little "ghosting" for his Republican colleagues.

Even the venerable Senator Reed Smoot, the Republicans' mastermind on the tariff, author of the Hawley-Smoot tariff act, veteran of four tariff fights in the senate, would not issue a tariff statement without having Mills check it over.

Indict DEATH SUSPECTS

Two Alleged Slayers Are Accused by County Grand Jury.

Indictments against two alleged slayers in domestic altercations were among those returned in criminal court Friday by the Marion county grand jury. Fifteen indictments were returned and seven charges were dismissed.

Second degree murder was charged against James Crawford 56, a roomer in the home of Merle and Mary Lustig, at 46 East Merrill street. Crawford is alleged to have killed Merle Lustig July 3 with a shotgun during an argument resulting after Crawford had intervened in a quarrel between husband and wife.

Fred Cosand was indicted for voluntary manslaughter in connection with the death of his wife Fannie, who died June 25, several weeks after a beating by her husband. They lived at 819 Chadwick street.

ROB BANK OF \$3,500, ESCAPE

Bandit Gang Stages Raid on Indiana Institution.

GREENVILLE, O., Aug. 6.—Four bandits robbed the Commercial Bank & Trust Company at Union City, a town on the Ohio-Indiana line of \$3,500 Friday and escaped. The bank is on the Indiana side.

Big Holdup!

'Large Car' Is Just a Flivver—"Gang" Means Three Gypsies.

EXCITEDLY, a police reporter phoned from headquarters, "A standard grocery on Belmont avenue—just held up by a gang of gypsies in a big car—the emergency's just leaving—I'll call you later."

Later the police reporter called: "Two gypsy women in a flivver grabbed a dollar bill from a grocery clerk at 992 Belmont avenue. His name is Hite MacGruder."

"A gypsy man in an old flivver touring car waited in front of the store. The women told MacGruder they would bring him good luck."

"One of them reached in his pocket and pulled out the buck. She waved it in the air—and then both of them beat it out the door. That's all."

BEAT AND ROB MAN

Thieves Get \$300 of War Bonus Money, Cops Told.

Police are searching today for two men, one a taxi driver, said to have beaten and robbed Vivian Perdew, 36, of 1465 English avenue, after the three visited a speakeasy, and later drove to near Southport, where Perdew said \$300 of war bonus money was taken from him.

Perdew was found by deputy sheriffs and was unable to tell clearly the evening's events, after he was arrested on charge of drunkenness.

Only \$10 of the bonus money had been spent before meeting the men, Perdew said.

Hoover Vote Threat Aids Trade

TACOMA, Wash., Aug. 6.—Sign in a barber shop: "If you don't get your hair cut here, I'll vote for Hoover." Business immediately improved, said proprietor T. J. Wehnes.

The City in Brief

Business conditions are approaching normal and the great task is for the people to adjust themselves to the times, Indianapolis Real Estate Board members were told Thursday by Victor C. Kendall, L. S. Ayres & Co. secretary-treasurer.

Mrs. Mary Isley Carnes, 49, of 2201 Bellefontaine street, divorced wife of Alfred Isley, both of whom were sentenced to prison for robbery of a state bank in 1922, was arrested Thursday night by detectives who alleged she stole two dresses from a parked automobile. The dresses are property of Miss Peggy Ponder, 1309 North Meridian street.

John Slay, 58, Negro, was overcome by heat Friday while working with an Indianapolis Water Company repair gang at Twenty-second and Alabama streets. He was unconscious when removed to city hospital on police order. Officers were unable to learn his address.

Melvin G. Catt, alias Dale Wakefield of Decker, Ind., Friday was held by federal authorities on \$2,500 bond, wanted in Colorado on charges to violate the national prohibition law. Bond was set by United States Commissioner Fae W. Patrick and hearing scheduled for Tuesday.

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Aerial Tear Bombs Menace Miners



Mine strike warfare went ultra-modern when Indiana national guard troops moved in on the tense situation at the Dixie Bee coal mine, Terre Haute, Ind., where sixty-four nonunion miners were besieged. A fleet of bombing planes was mobilized and aerial tear gas bombs were issued for use against the 3,500 union mine pickets.

Picture shows five guard pilots carrying the new type bombs, with the fleet lined up in the background. Infantry troops, however, routed the besiegers after one man had been killed and eight wounded.

SEVERAL HURT IN ACCIDENTS

Mother, Daughter Struck by Car While Walking.

Mother and daughter incurred cuts and bruises when they were struck by an automobile Friday night while walking on Twenty-ninth street near the Monon railroad crossing.

The injured are Mrs. Mattie Hogan, 58, and Sendona Hogan, 22, both of 2604 Columbia avenue. The driver was Thomas King, 2032 Columbia avenue. He was not held.

Lauren E. Arbuckle, 21, of 2328 Brookside parkway, a special delivery employee of the postoffice, suffered cuts on the head shortly after midnight when the automobile he was driving struck a safety zone guard at Cruise and Washington streets.

Stepping from behind a parked truck at 331 South East street, Seymour Jones, 63, of 407 South Alabama street, was struck by an automobile driven by Lelan Raub, 60, of 1121 North Olney street, suffering cuts and bruises.

Sprained back and cuts were incurred by John Williams, Zionsville, R. R. 28, when the automobile he was driving collided with one driven by Pat Dixon, Shelbyville, R. R. 8, at Sixty-first street and the Michigan road.

INJURED MAN IS LEFT STRANDED

Dumped in Hallway of Flat, Leg Broken.

Suffering from a broken leg, Joseph Wilcox, 37, said to be a former Indianapolis attorney now practicing in Ft. Wayne, was dumped in the hallway of an apartment at 611 North Pennsylvania street Friday morning by four men riding in a taxicab. Police say Wilcox was in a drunken stupor.

"They all jumped on me. I am not going to tell you how I got it," Wilcox mumbled in reply to questions.

Police were called to the apartment by a custodian. He says Wilcox's wife lives at the place, but denies that Wilcox is a resident. He said the four men insisted on leaving the injured man, despite the custodian's protests.

Wilcox was taken to city hospital by police. Physicians say the broken leg was in a temporary dressing.

SCOUTS TO GET BUILDING

Site for First Aid Structure Approved at Reservation.

Site of the proposed first aid building on the Boy Scout reservation Friday had approval of the Boy Scout council executive board, following inspection and dinner at the reservation Thursday night.

Edward A. Kahn, council president, has offered to erect the building as a memorial to Mrs. Kahn.

Vandals Bomb Road Machinery

HEBRON, Ill., Aug. 6.—Vandals dynamited road-building machinery on a two highway construction jobs on Route 47, south of here early today. Labor trouble was blamed by contractors for the bombings.

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ZIEGFELD WILLS ALL TO WIDOW AND DAUGHTER

Entire Estate Is Left to Billie Burke, Patricia and Daughter.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Aug. 6.—The entire estate of the late Florenz Ziegfeld, famous theatrical producer, who died recently in California, is left to his widow, Billie Burke, and their daughter Patricia, according to the will, which was filed for probate Friday.

The document is dated April 30, 1930, and there is no indication of the size of the estate.

One paragraph reads: "I make no provision in this, my last will, for my mother, Rosalie Ziegfeld, having full confidence that she will be well provided for by my wife and daughter."

WRIT ASKED TO FREE INMATE OF HOSPITAL

Sister Declares Man Was of Sound Mind When Committed.

Alleging that her brother, Arley Branson, is confined in the Central state hospital without cause, his sister, Mrs. Cora Claybaugh, Thursday filed a petition for a writ of habeas corpus in superior court two, naming Dr. Max A. Bahr, superintendent of the hospital, as defendant.

Reciting that Branson was committed to the institution on order of Wabash circuit court, his sister asserts he "was and was at the time of commitment, of sound mind."

He is able to earn a living, it is averred.

Hearing on the petition will be held Monday by Judge Joseph R. Williams.

ART SAYS:

The lady who found a ratler in bed must have felt even worse than the spinster who failed to find a man under her bed.

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