

CO-ED SLAYING CHARGE PUSHED AT ASHEVILLE

Hotel Employee Confesses to
Shooting Girl on
July 16.

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announced that he would ask a grand jury convening next Monday to indict Moore.

Trial Within Week

"We'll try him within the week and have this murder cleaned up in less than five weeks after it occurred," he said.

Another Negro employee of the hotel, Banks Taylor, a pantry boy, provided the clue that caused Moore to confess.

Taylor told the sheriff Thursday, after keeping quiet three weeks in fear of becoming involved, that Moore owned "an old Spanish pistol." Ballistics experts already had determined that the gun that killed Miss Clevenger was of a caliber not manufactured in the United States, so Brown questioned Moore again.

Two New York detectives came here Friday to help him. One was John Quinn, who a few months ago was credited with a major part in finding the slayer of Mrs. Nancy Evans "Titterton, short story writer, who was raped and murdered in her New York apartment. The other was Sgt. Thomas Martin of the New York Homicide Squad.

Suspect Trembled

The sheriff, Quinn and Martin went to Moore's home.

"What did you do with the pistol you killed the girl with?" Sheriff Brown abruptly demanded.

Moore trembled visibly, the officers said. He attempted no evasion about the gun, but tried to lay the slaying upon another Negro hotel worker.

"The gun's under that porch there," Moore said, pointing at a corner of his three-room, tumble-down house. "But I didn't kill her. I didn't know nothin' about it. Roddy killed her," he said. He had lent the gun before Miss Clevenger was slain to L. D. Roddy, a Battery Park Hotel bell boy. Roddy returned it, he said, after the killing.

The policemen arranged a unique inquisition to break his story.

Dictaphone Used

In a room at police headquarters they concealed a dictaphone. Then they put Moore, Roddy and Taylor into the room together and ostensibly left them alone.

"You boys talk this over and decide who's lying about this thing any longer. The sheriff'll find out you didn't loan your gun to Roddy."

"They got so mad they were almost ready to fight when I opened the door again," Sheriff Brown said. "Moore was washed up. 'I'll talk,' he said right away."

Dictated Confession

He dictated a confession to a stenographer, then went to Miss Clevenger's hotel room and reenacted the crime for photographers. Miss Clevenger was killed at about 1 a. m. She and her uncle, Prof. W. L. Clevenger of North Carolina State College at Raleigh, had gone to their rooms early in the night, but the girl, after donning pajamas, sat up writing letters and making an entry in her diary.

"I was after money," Moore said. "I went to 324 (Miss Clevenger's room) and it was unlocked. I opened the door and went in. She was on the bed. The bed light was on."

"What do you want?" she asked me.

"I thought this room was unoccupied," I told her.

Says Girl Screamed

"If you don't leave I'll call the office," she told me. She got up and started toward the door. When she got about 18 inches from me she saw the pistol. She screamed. I shot her.

"She sank on the floor on her knees and I hit her in the face with the pistol butt. She screamed again. I hit her in the face again."

"I did not attack her."

A medical examiner previously had expressed belief that Miss Clevenger was criminally attacked, but the sheriff said today that he believed she was not.

MADDEN-NOTTINGHAM LEGION POST ELECTS

Orville G. Drake is the new commander of Madden-Nottingham Post 348, American Legion.

Other officers elected were Harry A. Lorber and Barney H. Fears, vice commanders; Ralph W. McCreary, adjutant; George W. Carpenter, finance officer; the Rev. Charles R. Lisenby, chaplain; Claude A. Howson, sergeant-at-arms; Joseph A. Clinton, athletic officer; Preston E. Thompson, Americanization officer; the Rev. Lance A. Mandle, child welfare officer; Orville G. Robinson, publicity officer, and Bayard C. Marsh, Poppy Day chairman.

KING EDWARD AT SEA

By United Press
BELGRADE, Aug. 10.—King Edward VIII of Great Britain boarded his chartered yacht Naima today at Sibenik, on the Adriatic coast of Yugoslavia, for a Mediterranean cruise.

Arriving from Zagreb, he was greeted enthusiastically by the population and crew of the many yachts in the harbor. The king waved his hand and smiled in acknowledgment.

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MISS ASTOR IN NEW LOVE TANGLE (A MOVIE)



In the midst of a trial replete with "love triangle" testimony, where she is fighting Dr. Franklyn Thorpe for annulment of their marriage and custody of their child, Screen Actress Mary Astor is shown as she prepared to play a "tangled love" role in real life. In "Dodsworth," the film star is cast as a woman in love with another woman's husband, the latter being played by Walter Huston and the wife by Ruth Chatterton, who in private life is Miss Astor's best friend. Huston is seen above with Miss Astor.

20 ARE SLATED IN LIQUOR RAIDS

6 Women Reported Among
Arrests Made Over
Week-End.

Twenty persons, including six women, were arrested by police in a series of liquor raids during the week-end.

Mae Ledbetter, 42, 425 1/2 Massachusetts-av., and Edna Ledbetter, 40, 421 Massachusetts-av., were arrested on beverage law violation charges after raids on their apartments, police records show.

Zetta Thomas, 32, 220 N. Illinois-st.; William A. Peck, 33, 112 S. Butler-av.; Sam Chapman, 41, 411 E. Michigan-st.; Raymond Trees, 55, 110 E. Vermont-st., and William Kemp, 43, 331 N. Delaware-st., were arrested and charged with vagrancy when they were caught in the two apartments.

Other Raids Made

Police raided a house at 523 Warsaw-st., and arrested Sam and Josephine DeLuca on charges of violating the beverage act. The officers said they seized 44 bottles of beer and arrested five others on vagrancy charges. They were Arthur Summers, 441 Ketchum-st.; John Arnes, 717 Elm-st.; Ora McCalley, 2410 E. Washington-st.; Earl Scott, 430 Virginia-av., and Florence Johnson, 522 Warsaw-st.

In another raid, police said they arrested Ruby Wilson, 27, bartender at an alleged liquor establishment at 29 W. 9th-st. Police also held James Stehr, 23, of the same address, and two other men who were alleged to have been drinking in the place.

Anna Andrews, 538 W. Maryland-st., was arrested by police, who said she ran across the yard in the rear of her home with a fruit jar alleged to have contained whisky. William Phillips, 1542 Lewis-st. Negro, was charged with violating the beverage act after a raid on his place, police said.

MOTHER OF 3 SHOT; HERO HUSBAND HELD

By United Press
MOUNT VERNON, Ind., Aug. 10.—William H. Bert Reynolds, 43, World War hero, was held in Posey County jail today facing charges in connection with the shooting of his wife, Rosamond, 36, mother of three children.

The shooting occurred Saturday night after the Reynolds returned to their home in an alleged drunken condition and began to quarrel violently, neighbors told authorities.

McReynolds fled after the shooting but last night surrendered to authorities.

SOLDIER HIT BY BALL

Private Wyatt Smith, 24, Company B, Fort Benjamin Harrison, was treated at City Hospital for knee injury suffered yesterday when a foul ball struck him while he was acting as catcher on the Army baseball team.

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MARY AND MATE DETERMINED TO CONTINUE TRIAL

Film Moguls' Efforts to
Settle Custody Case
Futile So Far.

By United Press

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 10.—Hollywood emerged cautiously from its silence today in a strenuous, last minute effort to settle the Mary Astor-Dr. Franklyn Thorpe child custody fight.

Leading figures of the pictures seeking to protect the reputations of high-priced stars and the moral tone of the industry, had but a few hours to overcome the reluctance of the principals. Trial of the case in Superior Court was scheduled to resume at 10 a. m. (12 noon, Indianapolis time) with Miss Astor the witness.

Miss Astor and her former husband, Dr. Thorpe, were reported unwilling to accept anything but complete victory, no matter what the revelations or the scandal continued name-calling in court might bring. Victory in either case would mean complete custody of their 4-year-old daughter, Marilyn.

The cross-examination of Miss Astor will continue when court convenes, also the bitter fight over the admissibility of Miss Astor's diary, in which, her former husband charged, she rhapsodized extramarital loves for the future edification of her daughter.

Hollywood heard from several authoritative sources that the office of Will Hays, supreme dictator of

the movies, was pulling strings in a determined move to temper the battle, for the general good of the films.

Another peace effort was under the personal supervision of Irving Thalberg, who a few years ago was the "boy genius" of Hollywood, and his beautiful wife, Norma Shearer. Thalberg, now the head man at M-G-M studios, informed the press through his secretary, that he "was interested, as every one is, in bringing about a settlement of the matter."

It was believed the movie magnates asked Thalberg to intervene as mediator. It was known that Thalberg talked with Miss Astor and other persons connected with the case.

Kaufman Called

George S. Kaufman, Broadway playwright with whom Miss Astor admitted an affair, was scheduled to appear in the courtroom today in answer to a subpoena. Dr. Thorpe's attorneys wish to prove through Kaufman that it was the actress and not Dr. Thorpe, who wanted the divorce obtained by the doctor in 1935.

Terms of the divorce constitute part of the present struggle and will be settled after the end of the child custody case in a second court action. Miss Astor gave Dr. Thorpe custody of the baby and a property settlement in exchange for freedom. Now she wants return of the child, a re-estimation of property and an annulment instead of divorce.

It was said that Kaufman may take a chance and not answer his subpoena. His lawyers reportedly have told him that technicalities free him of the obligation. They pointed out, it was said, that he is not a resident of California, and, in addition, the subpoena was served on Catalina Island, off the California coast.

ALFONSO WAITS RECALL, READY TO DEFEY DEATH

Bravery of Deposed King
Proved in Hectic Reign,
Simms Says.

By WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS

Washington-Herald, Foreign Editor

WASHINGTON, Aug. 10.—If a turn of fortune's wheel returns Alfonso XIII to Spain, as cryptic cables from Europe infer might happen, he will be going back to his almost certain doom.

That the ex-ruler has never ceased to hope and expect the Spanish population would one day recall him to Madrid is well known to his intimates in exile.

That he regards it, moreover, as his solemn duty to do so is likewise an open secret. Loss of the crown was a humiliation which has weighed heavily upon him. Not that he enjoyed his kingship so much, but because he always has felt he lost something which did not belong to him alone.

This he made very clear on that tempestuous night of April 13, 1931, whose darkness cloaked his precipitate flight from Madrid. When handed the ultimatum of the victorious republicans the day after the April 12 elections, he refused to abdicate.

Didn't Renounce Rights

Instead he specifically stated in his manifesto:

"I do not renounce any of my rights. They are more than mine. They are the accumulated store of history. I am only suspending the

exercise of the royal power." But inasmuch as the people of Spain seemed to want to try another form of government, he added, he would retire and give them a chance.

Slipping out of the palace by a back door, he leaped into a powerful Hispano-Suiza and made a dash for Cartagena, 325 miles away. He is said to have driven the entire distance himself, making it in eight hours. Considering it was pitch dark, a winding, mountainous road and none too good in spots, it was a remarkable and a courageous feat.

But change is one thing the ex-king never lacked. In one decade, after 1902, he faced assassination no less than 10 times.

Mounted Throne at 16

Born a king, Alfonso mounted his throne at 16. An attempt was made on his life that very day. In 1903-4 three more tries were made. In May, 1905, while he was driving through Paris with President Loubet, a bomb was thrown at him and a number of horses and people were killed and wounded.

He was then 19. The following year, also in May, he was married. A bomb was thrown at the royal bride and groom on their way from the church to the palace, killing some 20 people and injuring many more. The bride's wedding veil was spattered with blood. The superstitious shuddered and said the dynasty was doomed.

Several times after that, by bomb and pistol, attempts were made to end his days. In 1913, as he saddled through the Madrid streets, a man fired at him. Wheeling his horse, Alfonso rode his would-be assassin down, then he went on his way.

Such is the man rumor has "speeding" about Europe conferring with this high official and that, the

reference being that he may be plotting to regain his throne.

The chances are that Alfonso's "speeding" has far less dramatic objectives. For even if the Spanish rebels win, that does not necessarily mean his restoration.

Nevertheless, it may also be said that there may be an eventual swing of the pendulum favorable to Alfonso. There are thousands of years of political history to prove it.

Should Alfonso return to reclaim the crown—which, to his way of thinking, belongs not only to him but to the past and to the future—it would be an act of deliberate and consummate courage. He can not fail to know that somewhere among the millions of anarchists and other extreme radicals to whom he is as a red flag to a bull, death is waiting for him. Already he has escaped 10 times. His luck can not last forever—and he knows it.

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