

Judge Tells Laraine She Must Explain

Jurist Dissatisfied With Mexican Decree

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 23 (U. P.).—Movie actress Laraine Day must satisfactorily explain her "outing" of the California courts, or face revocation of her three-day-old divorce, a stern-mannered judge decided today.

Superior Judge George Dockweiler is dissatisfied with the actress's preliminary explanation of second divorce, Mexican variety, and immediate remarriage, this time to Leo Durocher, manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Miss Day excused her actions by saying that she just wanted to be happy.

"Can't I Be Happy?"

The \$100,000-a-film actress will be served, probably today, with an order requiring her to prove that she acted in good faith when she got a California interlocutory decree Monday.

In her explanations to the judge during an hour-long conference, Miss Day said she married Leo Durocher "on an impulse" and did not intend to by-pass the California decree. This decree does not become final for a year.

"I was very unhappy in my last marriage," she told the judge. She then asked, "can't I be happy now?"

Judge Dockweiler, after the conference, decided that the decision was up to the courts, and ordered the "show cause" papers prepared. He was obviously unhappy over what he felt was the couple's lack of respect for California justice, and spoke of their "outing" the court.

Meanwhile, Miss Day and Mr. Durocher were taking no chances of further legal difficulties in California. He was living at his Santa Monica hotel and she at her home, nearby.

Taft Barely Wins First Senate Test

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he did not see the issue as a test of party fidelity.

Shake Off Leadership

Three other Republicans shook off Mr. Taft's leadership — Senators George D. Aiken (Vt.), Charles W. Tobey (N. H.) and Wayne Morse (Ore.), and another, Senator Clyde M. Reed (Kas.), withheld his vote. But the Republicans picked up a Democratic vote from Senator Lee O'Daniel (Tex.), and they declined to provide a "pair" for the absent Senator John H. Overton (D. La.), which would have reduced their own roll-call total by one.

Senator Tydings' resolution to give the investigation to the executive expenditures committee was defeated, 47 to 45. A scant two-vote margin—though the G. O. P. senate margin over the Democrats is six votes and three Democrats were absent.

The Republicans worked hard to keep the stubborn Kentucky mountaineer, Senator Cooper, from crossing party lines.

Bitter Debate

There were bitter exchanges in debate. Senator Carl Hatch (D. N. M.) sought to get Senator C. Wayland Brooks (R. Ill.) to yield the floor briefly—a usually accepted courtesy. Mr. Brooks declined. Again Mr. Hatch asked Senator Brooks to yield—"just for a half-minute."

"Not for one second," retorted Mr. Brooks.

Now and then Republicans got their signals crossed. Senator Taft said the importance of the issue of extending the life of the special war investigating committee had been exaggerated all out of proportion to its real value.

Yet Mr. Brooks later told the senate that this was one of the most important decisions it would be called upon to make.

Frequent Conferences

All sides whipped out-of-town members back to the capital — Senator Joseph H. Ball (R. Minn.), flying from St. Paul, arrived 10 minutes before the vote was taken. He never was received more warmly by his G. O. P. brethren.

Leaders of both sides bustled about in frequent strategy conferences.

Senator Taft, taking up the campaign of Senator Owen Brewster (R. Me.), who will be chairman of the investigating committee, won his fight—but there were some who criticized his judgment for risking prestige on such an issue.

A new case tomorrow will be on continuing the special small business committee.

Special Bananas Fail To Save Irish Poet

DUBLIN, Jan. 23 (U. P.).—Patrick Michael O'Connell, 32, poet and balladeer, who wrote under the pen name of Owen Roe Ward, died today of a nutritional ailment after five months' hospitalization.

A special shipment of bananas was flown to the writer last Sunday by U. S. admirers, including New York's Mayor William O'Dwyer, in response to an appeal from Dublin's lord mayor. It was hoped at the time the fruit would save his life, but his physicians said he became too ill to be fed.

QUICK FREEZER PRICE CUT

FOND DU LAC, Wis., Jan. 23 (U. P.).—The Sanitary Refrigerator Co. today announced a cut of \$50 in the price of quick freezers, the first price slash to be announced in the refrigerator industry since the war ended.



FLAMING FREIGHT CARS—Two freight cars burn like kindling after one of two 4000-gallon gasoline tanks on a truck exploded today when the stalled vehicle was struck by a Big Four freight train at Cincinnati. Three Indianapolis trainmen were injured.



INJURED BRAKEMAN—Clint McCollum, 44, of 1656 1/2 English ave., head brakeman of the freight train, is rushed to medical aid.

Recovers After Monoxide Poisoning

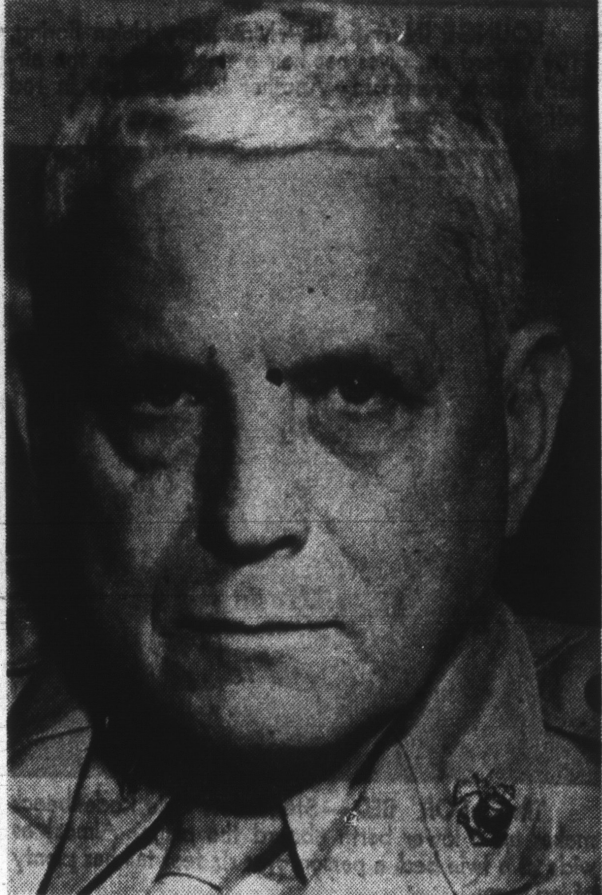
Harry Brook, 26, of 975 Hosbrook st., was recovering today from carbon monoxide gas poisoning. He was overcome while working near the exhaust of an automobile in a garage at his home last night.

Found unconscious on the floor of the garage, the police first aid

squad revived him with artificial respiration and took him to City hospital.

BENNINGTON HEAD QUILTS

BENNINGTON, Vt., Jan. 23 (U. P.).—President Lewis Webster Jones, 47, of Bennington college has resigned to accept a position Sept. 1 as president of the University of Arkansas.



SUCCUMBS—Lt. Gen. Roy S. Geiger, pioneer in military aviation, died today in Bethesda Naval hospital.

Gen. Geiger, Pacific Fleet Marine Commander, Dies

BETHESDA, Md., Jan. 23 (U. P.).—Lt. Gen. Roy S. Geiger, formerly commanding general of the fleet marine forces of the Pacific, died today at Bethesda naval hospital. He was 62.

Gen. Geiger died at 6:20 a. m. (Indianapolis Time).

The marine general entered the hospital last Friday suffering from an inflammation of the veins which puzzled physicians who attended him.

Gen. Geiger commanded the amphibious operations in the invasion of Okinawa, one of the stepping stones in the defeat of Japan.

Gen. Geiger succeeded Lt. Gen. Holland M. Smith as commander of the Pacific marine forces in July, 1945. The grey-haired Geiger, a pioneer of military aviation, had a deep contempt of the Japanese. "They are not supermen," he said once. "At heart they are cowards with an inferiority complex. They have weak characters. When they get in a tight spot they commit suicide."

Gen. Geiger was suffering from pleuritis when he entered the naval hospital. Pulmonary complications set in.

Gen. Geiger was born Jan. 25, 1885, at Middleburg, Fla. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Eunice Geiger, Pensacola, Fla.; a son, Maj. Roy S. Geiger Jr., stationed at Ft.

Sill, Okla., and a daughter, Mrs. Robert J. Johnson, Pensacola.

Gen. Geiger commanded both air and ground units during the last war. He was the first marine to lead an army.

The marine officer commanded the 3d amphibious corps in the battle of Okinawa. When Lt. Gen. Simon Bolivar Buckner, commanding general of the 10th army on Okinawa, was killed in action, Gen. Geiger assumed command and led the 10th army to successful conclusion of the campaign.

He received five major decorations: during the war and commanded marine forces at Guadalcanal, Bougainville, Guam and Peleliu in addition to Okinawa.

In the first world war, Gen. Geiger commanded a squadron of the 1st marine aviation forces. He was awarded the navy cross in the first world war for distinguished service in leading bombing raids.

3 Local Trainmen Burned in Crash

Engine Hits Gasoline Truck at Cincinnati

CINCINNATI, Jan. 23 (U. P.).—Flaming gasoline sprayed over three train crewmen in the cab of a Big Four freight engine today after the engine collided with a gas-laden tank truck on a crossing here.

The burning gas set fire to several box cars on the freight train. Concussion from the explosion knocked out windows of a nearby home.

Clint McCollum, head brakeman, Indianapolis, was taken to General hospital. The other burned crewmen were A. L. Clark, engineer, and P. L. Knight, fireman, both of Indianapolis.

Release Suspect In Kidnaping

LODI, Cal., Jan. 23 (U. P.).—Pretty Alice Devine was brought face to face with an ex-convict at a secret pre-dawn rendezvous today. After studying his face in the glare of automobile headlights she said positively that he was not the man who kidnaped her.

She admitted her identification of Earl Sheldon from an eight-year-old police photograph was erroneous. The admission came after she faced the San Francisco charm school operator at a meeting arranged by her parents and Lodi police.

Alice and her mother and father were waiting in the family automobile on a lonely country road on the outskirts of Lodi early today. In the darkness came the gleam of headlights from Sheldon's car.

In Front of Headlights

The approaching car came to a stop and Alice's father switched on his headlights. Sheldon stepped out.

He walked back and forth in front of the headlights, slowly and with a tense look in his eyes.

"That is not the man," Alice said carefully, facing Alice and her parents.

Sheldon had surrendered voluntarily to San Francisco police last night after learning that he was a suspect in the case.

Sheldon at no time was under arrest. After Alice and her parents agreed he was not her abductor, Lodi Police Chief Millard Fore announced that he was free from suspicion.

Twelve witnesses who attended his charm school testified he was busy at the time of the kidnaping Monday teaching 25 San Francisco beauties how to be fashion models.

Lot of Trouble

After the rendezvous, Sheldon was brought to the City hall, where he talked with police and reporters. Wearing a plaid coat and very self-possessed, Sheldon asked Chief Fore if he had a picture of "William Giles," the man who supposedly kidnaped Miss Devine.

"I'd like to see it," he said. "It's caused me a lot of trouble."

The police photograph had been tentatively identified by Alice and several other people as that of the kidnaper.

Theater Pickets Stop To Let Truman Pass

WASHINGTON, Jan. 23 (U. P.).—A picket line in front of the National theater stepped aside last night shortly before President Truman arrived to see a performance of Sigmund Romberg's operetta "Blossom Time."

The eight pickets were protesting the theater's ban against Negro patrons.

There was no indication that Mr. Truman was aware of the picketing. He was accompanied by Mrs. Truman, their daughter, Margaret, and three of her friends.

Churchill's Daughter Robbed of Stage Gems

ROME, Jan. 23 (U. P.).—Sarah Churchill, film actress daughter of Winston Churchill, was robbed today of a coffer full of stage jewelry.

As Miss Churchill and her troupe were leaving for a set outside Rome, thieves climbed aboard a moving truck loaded with stage property.

They rolled off several trunks including those containing most of her costumes and stage jewelry.

Organizations

A covered-dish dinner will be served at 8:30 p. m. Monday in Ft. Friendly by the Spanish-American War Veterans auxiliary No. 3. Mrs. Clemens Boots is program chairman. The birthday is for former President McKinley. Mrs. Phyllis Prichard will preside.

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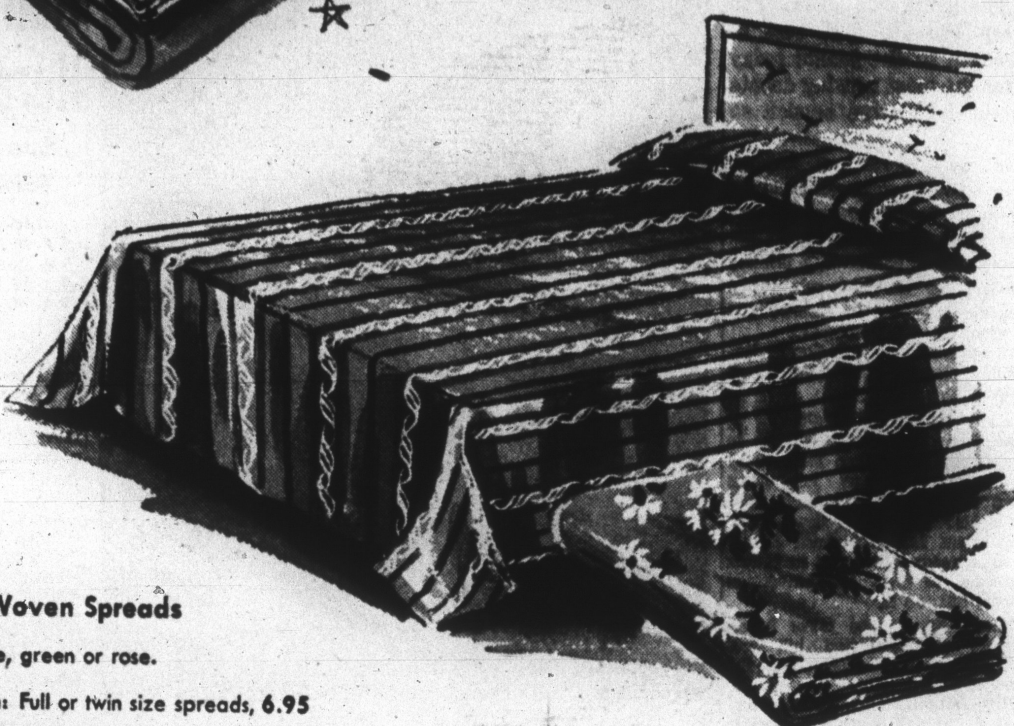
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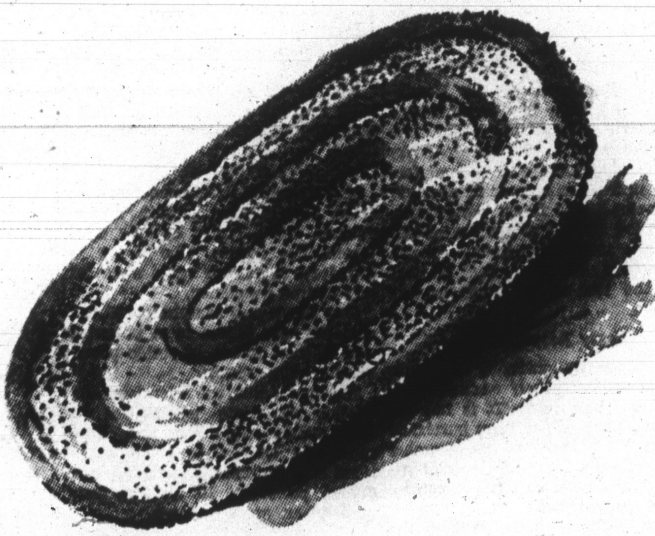
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