

FRENCH BLUEBEARD POSTPONES TRIAL TO STUDY 7000 PAPERS

(By Associated Press) PARIS, Feb. 8.—Henri Desire Landru, under indictment charged with the murder of 11 women to whom at various times he had promised marriage, and whose trial before the French Assises had been set for March 1, has succeeded in obtaining another postponement of his trial. Landru has been in jail for two years and recently was sentenced to five years in jail and subsequent deportation for swindling.

Under French law, a man accused of crime has to take cognizance of the dossier in his case before facing the jury. He may make a fight upon the legality of any of the documents being submitted to the jury.

The dossier in Landru's case includes 7,000 documents, all of which have to be copied, as the public prosecutor does not trust the originals in the hands of the accused. The work of copying the documents will occupy more than a month.

Will Challenge Documents.

Landru has informed the court that he will require several weeks in which to study the documents as he intends to challenge all of them as irrelevant.

Landru caused considerable worry and annoyance to Judge Bonin while the latter was investigating the case and now that it has been turned over to the prosecutor of the republic he has adopted the same tactics.

To one of the assistants of the prosecutor who reproached him with procrastination saying that French justice has other things to look after than the Landrus case, the alleged Gambais Bluebeard replied:

"Then why don't you let me go, I am perfectly willing." Then he added: "How I miss Judge Bonin. At least, he was a gentleman."

Shoplifters Secure Over \$300,000 in Cleveland

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CLEVELAND, Feb. 8.—More than \$300,000 were secured from Cleveland department stores by shoplifters last year, according to a report of a survey made by Frank J. Merrick, former assistant county prosecutor, for the retail merchants board of the Chamber of Commerce.

As a result of the disclosures made by Mr. Merrick, the merchants are preparing to inaugurate a bureau of their own for the prosecution of cases against persons charged with shoplifting and similar offenses.

A school for the training of store detectives and department managers is planned. The plan also contemplates enactment of legislation which would make shoplifting a felony.

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which he took Governor Goodrich to task because the latter had gone to Turkey Run to attend a political meeting at a time when the tax bill was pending.

Neidt it is understood will stand to the finish against amendment of the primary law. It is no secret that he has congressional ambitions and he is said to have told some of his friends that it was by means of the primary that he was able to come to the legislature. Neidt's friends believe that he regards the retention of the primary and a new tenth congressional district as essential to his political future.

Change Unlikely.

The opinion was expressed today that a provision that congressional nominations shall be made by direct primary might lessen Neidt's opposition to the amendment of the primary law. Friends of Neidt said this theory overlooked the fact that he was sincerely for the primary law as it stands now and also they said even if he decided to do so Neidt could hardly change his position.

It is realized by the pro-primary men that their opponents made a wise move when they decided to provide for the compulsory use of the primary in making city and county nominations. This plan would leave the people to vote directly on the nomination of most of their officers. In the Beardsey bill the method of making local nominations was left optional.

Fight in Senate.

It was realized that this was a bad feature because it left the bill lacking in positive character. But as has been said the fight for the Beardsey bill was made largely within the senate and did not have the advantage of the master minds that are now working on the question.

Some of the senators were saying today that if the primary question reaches the senate again Senator Neidt will have a better opportunity to talk about outside pressure than he did when he was fighting the Beardsey bill.

Probe School Finances.

A joint resolution introduced by Senator Hartzell Monday afternoon and looking to a careful investigation of the finances of Purdue university, Indiana university and the State Normal School was the subject of considerable comment today.

It was significant that Senator Hartzell after some difficulty had the resolution sent to the judiciary A committee of which Senator Kiper is chairman.

Senator Kiper is said to be one of the senators who is not satisfied with the information that has been supplied for the legislators on which they must reach a conclusion as to the amount of money that shall be devoted to the higher educational institutions.

It was the opinion today that the investigation proposed by Hartzell will "get somewhere" because a definite time has been fixed for a public hearing. If the terms of the resolution are carried out a joint committee of twelve will hold a hearing at 10 o'clock in the morning of Feb. 14, and heads and other representatives of the higher institutions as well as representatives of private normal schools of the state will be called.

The fact that aside from the state institutions, the resolution was direct-

HUNGARY NOW HAS "FUEL LINE" AS WELL AS BREAD LINE



Scene showing people of Budapest standing in line to receive a small bundle of brush for fuel.

The need of fuel is so great in Hungary that the government has gathered what available brush wood can be obtained and

is doing it out in small bundles on the banks of the Danube. The people stands hours in line to receive enough wood to cook a

warm meal. The great forests of Hungary were in that district, but were cut off by the diplomats at Versailles.

son were at the Masonic social gathering Friday night.

FOUNTAIN CITY, Ind.—Mrs. Phoebe Long, of Richmond, visited with relatives in this community last week....Mrs. Emma Campbell of Richmond visited a couple of days last week with Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Overman....Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Gardner of Richmond, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Edgerton....Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Harrison and family entertained at dinner Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Harrison, Mrs. Phoebe Long of Richmond and Miss Ruth Fulghum.

ECONOMY, Ind.—Miss Belle Pelle returned to Detroit, Thursday, after spending the past five months with her sister, Mrs. Grace Hunt....Mrs. Jesse Bond visited Mr. and

Mrs. Joseph Marshall, at Fountain City, four days last week....Mr. and Mrs. Powell and Pauller Davis, of Muncie, attended the funeral of Geraldine Conley at this place Tuesday....Mrs. Robert Banning of Ridgeville, has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Orr of this place, the past week....Mrs. Clarence Stewart of Hagerstown, spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Hunnicutt....Mr. and Mrs. Everett Clark were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Morrison Friday....Mrs. Grace Hunt spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Hunt at Muncie, Thursday....Mrs. Muncie Mendenhall has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Mamie Osborne and family, at Muncie, the past week....Mrs. Kenneth Fritz, of Webster visited O. W. Morrison at this place, Saturday....Harry Avis of Fort Wayne is visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Atkinson and Albert Atkinson and family....Mr. and Mrs. William Wadman visited their son, Grant Wadman and family at West River, Sunday....Mrs. James Armstrong and son, Maurice, of Williamsburg, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives at this place....Anna Beard of Richmond spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Summer Board....H. H. Manning of College Corner, spent Saturday night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Manning, of this place....Mrs. W. L. Pennimore has been visiting relatives in Muncie, the past week....Summer Beard and family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Hunnicutt, Sunday....Mr. and Mrs. Willard Norton of Lynn were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Beckman Thursday and Friday....Wilson Stanley and Albert Athmore went to Indianapolis Sunday. Mr. Stanley will be operated on Monday at the Methodist hospital for appendicitis....Mrs. Newton Shoemaker visited Mr. and Mrs. Russell Shoemaker at Dayton, several days last week....Economy high school boys played basketball with Boston high, at Boston, Friday night. Score 40 to 23 in favor of

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