

Evelyn Nesbit Thaw Seeks To Take Life By Drinking Poison

Attempt at Suicide Came as Result of Prolonged New Year's Celebration in Chicago. SON AND MAID WERE WITH HER When She Took the Poison.—Lost Work Because She Had Been Drinking So Much.

Chicago, Jan. 5.—(AP)—Evelyn Nesbit Thaw drank poison early today in an attempt to commit suicide after a prolonged New Year's celebration, and was in a critical condition in a hospital. Her physicians, however, held out some hope for her recovery.

Her attempt at suicide took place in an apartment where she had been living during a cabaret engagement here. Her son, Russell Thaw, was with her at the time, as was her maid, Evelyn's youthful marriage to Harry K. Thaw, Pittsburgh millionaire, the murder of Stanford White, wealthy and prominent New York architect, and Thaw's trial for the killing made her name known to every newspaper reader throughout the country in 1906.

Her negro maid said Miss Nesbit's engagement at a local cafe was abruptly ended recently because of excessive drinking, but New Year's eve brought further libations in celebration of the holidays. When Evelyn returned to her apartment after the New Year's celebration the maid said she noticed that her nose had been broken. She had not ceased to seek liquid diversion since, the maid said.

The suicide attempt came at 5 a. m., after Evelyn had asked for a drink of water. The servant girl heard a crash in the bath room. "I have done it," Evelyn half screamed as the maid rushed to her. "I've taken poison," Evelyn cried.

The maid hurried for a bottle of milk to use as an antidote, but Miss Nesbit dashed the bottle from her. The maid then awakened Russell Thaw, and telephoned for Dr. A. Thomas Brandt, who found Evelyn unconscious.

Russell accompanied his mother to the Ashland Boulevard Hospital, where she remained with her until 7 a. m. Although it was reported that Evelyn had taken about eight ounces of a powerful disinfectant and was in a very critical condition when she reached the hospital, two hours later the physician said she had at least some chance to recover.

Miss Nesbit, who once before had swallowed poison in New York, had been dancing at the Moulin Rouge and under a fixed week's contract when her New Year's celebration began. Since then she had contemplated leaving for Florida and afterwards expected to go to Atlantic City for a dancing engagement.

TRAFFIC IN GIRLS BEING CARRIED ON Great Numbers Going From Russia to South America, Relief. London, Jan. 5.—(AP)—Dispatches from various Baltic states declare that a huge traffic is proceeding for the sale of girls from Russia to Argentina and Brazil.

It is said that a beautiful girl fetches as much as \$15,000 cash down. Latvian immigration officers recently noticed that an extraordinarily large number of handsome girls had been arriving from Russia on their way to South America, and that they were accompanied by nondescript husbands.

These pretty girls are mainly Russians, but it seems that there are also some Poles and Ruthenians. When questioned, some of the girls told the officials that they were overjoyed at the possibility of leaving Russia, and when it was hinted that they might become white slaves, they retorted, "Better a white slave in South America than the hungry plaything of the communists in Russia."

According to details obtained by the Latvian police, white slaves sell the girls at prices varying from \$5,000 to \$15,000 in South America. Hundreds of girls are passing through the port of Riga alone every month, and it is believed that thousands have already been transported by slavers.

Under the Communist regime in Russia the slavers have little difficulty in "marrying" several wives each year and then accompanying them abroad. And while the Latvian police are practically certain that hundreds of girls are passing through their country, destined for a life of shame, because of lack of definite proof they are unable to take action. Investigations, however, are proceeding and it is hoped an end will be put to this shameful traffic.

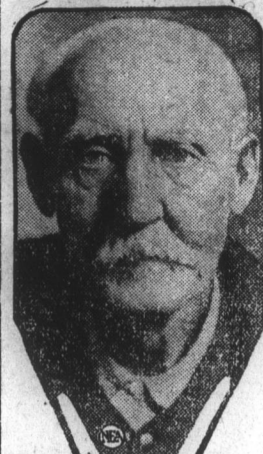
AGENT SEIZES \$17,000 WORTH OF NARCOTICS A. T. Gilmer, Negro Merchant of Greensboro, Held Under Bond of \$500. Greensboro, Jan. 4.—Three federal anti-narcotic agents today revealed the seizure here during the week-end of \$17,000 worth of narcotics, the largest such seizure ever made here, and the arrest of a negro merchant, A. T. Gilmer, on South Ashe Street, charged with violation of the anti-narcotic law.

Muscle Shoals Resolution Up in the House. Washington, Jan. 5.—(AP)—A resolution to create a joint congressional committee to negotiate for the leasing of the government's Muscle Shoals properties was called up for action today in the House. Debate was limited to one hour.

Meredith Moves to New Plant. Raleigh, Jan. 5.—(AP)—Students are returning to Raleigh to resume their work at the four colleges here, after the Christmas vacation, and the Meredith students coming back to school today go to a new Meredith, the new plant just completed west of Raleigh. The move to the new plant was made during the Christmas holidays.

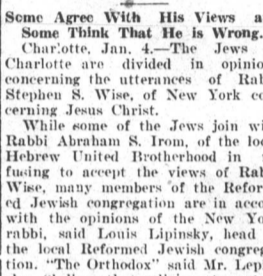
Approve Action of Committee. New York, Jan. 5.—(AP)—The anthracite operators' conference consisting of 30 members, at a meeting today in the Hotel Waldorf Astoria, approved every action so far of its sub-committees in the joint negotiations with the miners to settle the coal strike.

Faces Trial



William Bevans, 76, is being held in the Logansport (Ind.) jail awaiting trial on a charge of first degree murder. He is stabbed to death Nelson Anderson, 74, in a quarrel over Stella Shirley, another inmate of the institution. He objected to Anderson's serenading Miss Shirley, who is 37, with an accordion.

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CHARLOTTE JEWS ARE DIVIDED OVER WISE

Some Agree With His Views and Some Think That He is Wrong. Charlotte, Jan. 4.—The Jews of Charlotte are divided in opinions concerning the utterances of Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, of New York concerning Jesus Christ. While some of the Jews join with Rabbi Abraham S. Iron, of the Hebrew United Brotherhood in refusing to accept the views of Rabbi Wise, many members of the Reformed Jewish congregation are in accord with the opinions of the New York rabbi, said Louis Lipinsky, head of the local Reformed Jewish congregation. "The Orthodox," said Mr. Lipinsky, "believe that religion stopped in its progress thousands of years ago, while the Reformed group made efforts to bring Judaism up to date."

ALUMINUM COMPANY CASE COMES UP AGAIN

Senator Walsh Wants to Know About Delays in Case. Washington, Jan. 5.—(AP)—Inquiry into the delays in instituting contempt proceedings against the Aluminum Company of America for violation of Federal court decrees was proposed today in the Senate by Senator Walsh, democrat, of Montana. Some months ago the Federal Trade Commission charged that the corporation, in which Secretary Mellon is interested as a stockholder, The Justice Department announced last Saturday, however, that thus far its investigations had disclosed no wrong doings.

JUDGE W. P. BYNUM IN CRITICAL CONDITION

Friends of Well Known Greensboro Lawyer Much Concerned About Him. Greensboro, Jan. 4.—Former Judge William Preston Bynum, of this city, noted lawyer, is in a critical condition at his home here tonight, suffering from heart disease. His friends are much concerned over his condition. Judge Bynum, who has had a long career as lawyer, solicitor, superior court judge, assistant to attorney general of United States, and member of important committees of American state bar associations is in his sixty-fifth year. He has been ill, but not seriously, for some time. His condition became grave today.

RUBBER PRICES ARE LOWER IN ENGLAND

Market Seems Haunted by American-British Controversy Over Prices. London, Jan. 5.—(AP)—The raw rubber market seems haunted by the controversy going on between American and British interests regarding its movement. The price of spot rubber in Mincing Lane dropped 40 3/4 per cent. this morning and June deliveries to 38 1/2 per cent which corresponding depressed rubber shares in the stock market.

Alabama Football Team Acclaimed

Tuscaloosa, Ala., Jan. 5.—(AP)—No conquering heroes were ever welcomed home with greater acclaim than was Alabama's champion football team here today.

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THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Barely Steady at Decline of 4 to 11 Points.—March, at 19.88. New York, Jan. 5.—(AP)—The cotton market opened barely steady today at a decline of 4 to 11 points. Realizing by recent buyers after the advance yesterday was promoted by relatively easy Liverpool cables and the larger spot sales reported in southern markets yesterday, were followed by a little more hedge selling this morning.

Further buying developed on the optimistic view of general trade prospects which absorbed early offerings, but the market eased off to 19.88 for March and 19.00 for July, prices showing net losses of about 13 to 15 points by the end of the first hour. Part of the early buying was supposed to be due to expectations that the cotton conference at Atlanta today would recommend a reduction in acreage.

VAUDEVILLE PART OF SERVICES OF CHURCH

First Baptist Church of Erie, Pa., to Have Actors and Actresses in Evening. Erie, Pa., Jan. 4.—Vaudeville acts will have a place hereafter on the program of Sunday services in the First Baptist church of Erie, Pa. The Rev. Oliver Rorsman, pastor, has notified his congregation that vaudeville actors and actresses, from an Erie theater, will appear in future during the Sunday evening services in the first church.

CLINIC FOR CRIPPLES DRAWS LARGE CROWD

Gather at Wilson From Nash, Edgecombe, Pitt, Greene, Johnston and Wilson Counties. Wilson, Jan. 4.—The second orthopedic clinic for the treatment of crippled children, under the auspices of the local Lions club and the state department of vocational rehabilitation, was held in the rooms of the Wilson county health department in the new courthouse Saturday, and the halt and maimed white and black, adults and children, gathered here from Nash, Edgecombe, Pitt, Greene, Johnston and Wilson counties to take the treatment. At the first clinic 47 cases were handled, at Saturday's session 14 new patients were examined, swelling the total to 62 now enrolled and under the care of Dr. Hugh Thompson, orthopedic surgeon of Raleigh.

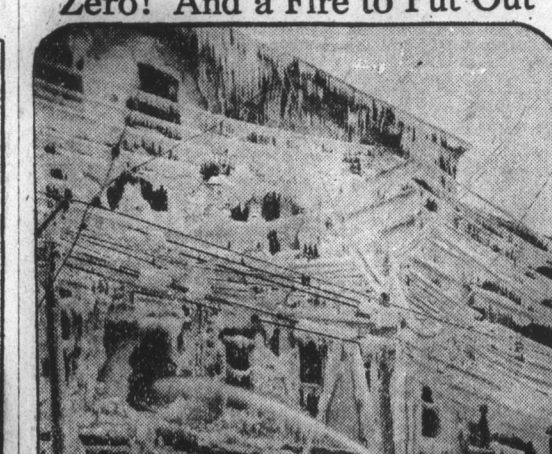
Gloria Swanson Arrives at Pinehurst Late Today

Pinehurst, Jan. 4.—The Marquis de la Falaise, together with La Marquise (Gloria Swanson), are expected to arrive tomorrow evening at the Carolina Inn, although there is still some doubt that the Marquis will not make the trip owing to business engagements in New York.

Miss Swanson's Director, Frank Tutthill, who arrived this morning, spent the day in going over selections for outdoor scenes, for parts of the picture the motion picture actress will film here this week.

The United States Public Health Service announces that pellagra can be prevented or cured by means of dried brewers' yeast. Its experiments believe that bakers' yeast will work as well and it will be tested out.

Zero! And a Fire to Put Out



It was 2 degrees below zero at Wheeling, W. Va., when the firemen had to turn out to battle the blaze. Even while the building was ablaze great masses of ice formed across its front, and the hose lines can be seen wreathed in ice.

"Human Fly" Ready to Climb the Walls of the Court House Here

Henry D. D. Roland, one of the best known wall climbers in the country, is all set for his exhibition at the court house tonight. Despite the rain, Roland says he will climb the walls of the court house as he promised and those present undoubtedly will see a master at work. Roland has scaled walls in cities all over the country and has been very successful.

To aid him and the spectators Roland will install a big searchlight near the court house and this will be kept trained on him at all times. Thus the spectators can see him and he can see the wall ahead of him. Roland asked permission to climb the Cabarrus Savings Bank building but it was not granted. He says the court house is harder to climb than the bank, although it doesn't seem so to the average person.

MANY PEOPLE PERISH IN FLOODS IN EUROPE

Transylvania, Eastern Hungary and Rumania Suffer—Think Over 500 Are Dead. Paris, Jan. 4.—Transylvania, eastern Hungary and Rumania present the most critical situation in Europe which is slowly emerging from one of the worst floods in its history. The swollen rivers and canals in Transylvania and the result of the swollen rivers and canals in Transylvania, Hungary and Rumania slowly are reaching Budapest and Bucharest. It is variously estimated that between 500 and 1,000 persons have perished, while the loss in cattle and the damage to spring wheat and property is tremendous.

With Our Advertisers

Shoe of quality, long wear and latest styles, moderate prices at Mark-Son Shoe Store. See new ad today of Bob's Dry Cleaning Co. Phone 787. The big clothing reduction sale of the Richmond-Flowe Co. will go through next Saturday, January 9th. The entire stock of men's clothing is on sale at one-fourth off.

Make Hard Drive to Curb Liquor Traffic

Charlotte, Jan. 4.—Give the bootleggers of the three states my greetings for we are after them. B. C. Sharpe, prohibition administrator of the Eighth Division, declared in his office here Monday. The "three-way" drive is being pushed with vigor at the beginning of the New Year. In this drive it was stated the press, he Coast Guard and the dry agents are being used to curb liquor traffic in North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia.

Sir Basil Thompson Fined

London, Jan. 5.—(AP)—Sir Basil Thompson, former Scotland Yard official, was convicted today on a charge of misconduct with a woman in Hyde Park, and fined 5 pounds Sterling. The same amount in costs was assessed. A notice that appeal would be taken was entered. The Kishacoquillas Valley Railroad, in Pennsylvania, is nine miles long, has three locomotives, runs three trains daily and has a woman treasurer. It has never had a deficit.

Convict Believed To Be Robert Scott Now En Route To Illinois

WOMEN'S CLUBS ASSESS STATE LIBRARY LIBRARY OF NATIVE BOOKS A Unique Collection of Books by and About Native Americans. Washington, Jan. 5.—(AP)—One of the most unique libraries in the country, a collection of books by and about native Americans, is being assembled at headquarters here of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

Sought primarily as an information source for club women, the completed collection will represent a cross section of American literature in the non-fiction field. Each state federation has been asked to supply at least 12 books by and about persons of its own state and to date the library numbers more than 300 volumes.

It is the purpose of the Federation to make the library available to individual clubs and members either through mailing of requested volumes or copied extracts, or by advising where specified books may be found. Virtually all of the noted American authors are represented in the collection, along with many whose works have received statewide recognition. A number of the volumes were the gifts of the authors, bearing autographs. Several are by members and others of the Federation.

CALIFORNIA RETURNS TO OLD ADOBE HOUSE

Humble Sun-Dried Brick Coming Back Into Favor For Residences. Los Angeles, Jan. 5.—The humble sun-dried brick is coming back into popular favor in Southern California as a material for the building of ranch houses, small homes and even pretentious dwellings. Adobe was used by the Franciscan fathers in the building of their missions, and later many homes and commercial structures were erected with these rudely made bricks.

As the years wore on, however, adobe became primarily the stuff of which ruins were likely to be made. The sight-seeing tourist learned to look for the adobe mission and the adobe house as relics of a romantic past. He scarcely expected to see modern homes built of that material. "Mission style" homes, churches and business blocks long have been popular in Southern California, but ordinarily these have been built of brick or frame with a coating of stucco.

MASS OF EVIDENCE IN BUREAU CHARGE

Charlotte Paper Says Federal Agents Get Facts About Veterans Bureau. Charlotte, Jan. 5.—(AP)—The Charlotte News says today that a "mass of evidence" relating to the charges of irregularity in connection with the operation of the North Carolina regional office of the U. S. Veterans Bureau has been collected by Federal agents working here four days ago from Washington.

GRADY L. GILBERT IS MISSING FROM HOME

Search Being Made for Rutherfordton Man Who Disappeared Saturday. Charlotte, Jan. 5.—(AP)—Search today was being instituted throughout the two Carolinas for Grady L. Gilbert, of Rutherfordton, N. C., whose absence since Saturday morning is unexplained, and which was followed by the death of his wife suddenly last night at Asheville. Mrs. Gilbert was taken to Asheville Sunday and after being taken to Asheville Sunday, and after the dressing of the injuries received yesterday when she was seriously burned about her hands and arms and received less serious burns on her face and neck in a fire which damaged the executive mansion here.

Stock Sale Quickly Completed

New York, Jan. 5.—(AP)—The \$55,000,000 offering of National Cash Register common stock made through Dillon Read & Co. today was oversubscribed within five minutes after the books were opened. This is one of the quickest sales of a stock issue on record.

Scott Has Been Sought Since His Brother, Russell Scott, Charged Him With Killing Maurer.

RUSSELL SCOTT IS IN ASYLUM

Scott Was Found In Convict Camp In California and Refuses to Discuss His Case In Any Way.

Merced, Calif., Jan. 5.—(AP)—A convict, believed by police to be Robert Scott, wanted in Chicago on an indictment charging the killing of Joseph Maurer, a drug clerk during a robbery there, in 1924, boarded a train here today under double guard, en route to San Francisco on the first lap of a journey back to Illinois.

The brother of Robert Scott, Russell Scott, erstwhile wealthy head of a large candy syndicate, who was convicted of the murder, is in an Illinois insane asylum after escaping the death penalty imposed on him after a series of appeals. Russell has maintained that it was his brother, Robert, who killed Maurer.

When brought from a mountain convict camp at Briceberg last night, Scott refused to talk. He would neither admit nor deny his identity as Scott and turned his back on interviews outside his cell. Serving a sentence for burglary committed in San Francisco in 1924 under the name of John Redding, the prisoner's identification as Scott is based on police photographs and fingerprints. His conduct while on the name of San Quentin won for him a place in the Briceberg camp in the Sierras, sixty miles from here, bordering on the Yosemite Valley. He was about to be released on parole, but he lacked an employer as guarantor, a requisite under the California law.

WOMAN IS IMPLICATED IN HUSBAND'S MURDER

Mrs. Omie Norris, of North Brevard, Held as Accessory in Death of William Norris. Asheville, Jan. 4.—Mrs. Omie Norris of North Brevard was ordered held without bond late Saturday in a preliminary hearing before Justice of the Peace Shuford on a charge of murder in the first degree, as implicated with Lawrence Tritt, who is charged with the killing of her husband, William Norris, last Sunday morning.

At a coroner's jury summoned a week ago by Sheriff Sitton, immediately after Tritt, whose right arm has been amputated at the wrist, had surrendered to the sheriff and confessed to the killing, charged Tritt with murder. At a preliminary hearing last Tuesday Tritt was remanded to jail without bond, and charges were brought against the wife of the slain man, based on evidence gathered by the sheriff. According to the confession made by Tritt, who has lived with the Norris family for the past few years, a fight took place at the Norris home about midnight Saturday following an argument.

Tritt then left the house, he confessed, went to Pisgah Forest, borrowed a shot gun, came back to the Norris home about 2:30 o'clock, entered the house, called to Norris who had retired asking him if he was still mad. Norris replied that he was not and told Tritt to go to bed. Mrs. Norris got out of bed and after talking with Tritt for a few minutes called to her husband to get up that Tritt wanted to talk with him. The shooting took place when Norris came out of the bedroom into the living room, Tritt stepping into another room and shooting Norris as he stooped over the open fire from behind, according to the confession. The case has aroused much interest here due to the fact that Norris, who worked for the Carr Lumber company, provided well for his family of five children and the wife who is implicated in the killing and keeping Tritt without charge as charity.

SAT'S BEAR SAYS!

Mrs. Trinkle Resting Comfortably. Richmond, Va., Jan. 5.—(AP)—Mrs. E. Lee Trinkle was reported as "resting comfortably" this afternoon after an operation this morning, and after the dressing of the injuries received yesterday when she was seriously burned about her hands and arms and received less serious burns on her face and neck in a fire which damaged the executive mansion here. Men who fall deserve a lot of credit for having tried.

Rain tonight, colder in extreme west portion; Wednesday partly cloudy. Showers on the coast, colder. Moderate to fresh southwest winds.

DON'T BE FOOLS IN THE DARK Pastime Theatre Wednesday and Thursday