

OFFICER-ELECT LEAVES CITY

B. W. Birmingham Would Not Face Investigation

BAD RUMORS ABOUT HIM

Man Who Would Be Raleigh Police- man, When Told to Wait a Few Days, Sells Furniture and Hikes. Was From Columbia, S. C., and May Be Wanted There.

B. W. Birmingham, who was elected by the Raleigh police commission and whose appointment was held up by the board pending an investigation of rumors against him, has left the city.

Birmingham was working in the Pilot Mills, in the northern section of Raleigh, when he applied for a position on the police force. His application was acted upon favorably by the police commission and he was to have gone on duty the first of this month.

The commission, however, heard rumors in regard to the man, and, although he had already been given a uniform, he was told to wait a few days until every matter concerning him could be cleared up.

But Birmingham, who hails from Columbia, S. C., did not wait. On the contrary, he sold his household effects and was seen in Raleigh the last time Tuesday morning.

It is alleged that the Columbia authorities are after him and that he has mysteriously disappeared from other cities. How true the rumors are cannot be verified this afternoon, but it is stated on good authority that Birmingham left his wife in Columbia and ran off with another woman.

That these reports appear more or less true is evidenced by the fact that Birmingham, when told to wait until the charges could be verified, left Raleigh without making any reason therefor.

The investigations begun by the Raleigh police commission have, of course, been dropped.

Woman Fooled Sharp Traders

(Continued from First Page.) reason to worry about her financial affairs for only this week she was to have come into a legacy of \$1,000,000 from an uncle in Philadelphia.

This was the statement made today by Mrs. Elmore Kinsman of 19 West 37th street, in Coroner Accetti's court, who is endeavoring to clear the mystery of the strange death of the pretty young woman who for years has posed as the cousin of Stuyvesant Fish.

Mrs. Roberts, it develops, ended her life with strychnine, and the revelations following the act as disclosed the career of a woman of high finance, who has been the subject of many sensational stories.

Mrs. Kinsman, it is known, however, that if her friend did any wrong in all her life she was not aware of it. When told that Stuyvesant Fish had been arrested for assaulting his wife, Mrs. Whitmore, had been arrested for improper conduct, on a charge a charge was made against her and her husband bailed her out.

This occurred in Brooklyn a few months ago. Whitmore went to the police station and said he was a civil engineer. He denounced the arrest of his wife as an outrage and after he had given bail for her, the two left the police station together. Whitmore, although only a notaryman, owned an equity in some real estate in Brooklyn which he sold recently for \$3,000 and was prosperous. He had a bank account, and according to his own story, gave his wife plenty of money.

On Monday before Christmas, Whitmore gave his wife a terrible beating in front of their house. He said in explanation that he thought she wanted to throw strychnine acid on him. She fled to the home of Mrs. Schmitter and stayed there until Tuesday night, when she went home again.

On Christmas, Mrs. Margaret O'Neill, who lives in the same house and gave the Whitmores the meals, took their Christmas dinner down stairs to them. They were quarreling then but this was of such common occurrence that Mrs. O'Neill paid no attention to it. When she left them they had settled down to their dinner. An hour later she went down stairs to collect her dishes and Mrs. Whitmore had gone.

"Where is your wife?" she asked. "Oh, I don't know," said Whitmore. "She's gone away again." Whitmore was taken to Harrison Thursday but denied that the body he saw in the morgue there was his wife. He gave a description of his wife entirely at variance with that of the woman whose dead body was before him, and friends and relatives of Mrs. Whitmore now declare that description to have been false. It served its purpose, however, to throw the police off the scent, and it was not until the Hearst News Service reporter located Mrs. Schmitter that her identity was established.

After hearing Mrs. Schmitter's story Whitmore said: "Yes, that is the body of my wife. I thought when I saw it first it was smaller, but I was mistaken. He is my wife."

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MATTER OF JAP. IMMIGRATION; NO STATEMENT

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, D. C., Jan. 4.—The state department observing the rule that no statements shall be made on matters still in process of negotiation today refused all information on the Japanese reply to Ambassador O'Brien's memorandum dealing with the immigration question.

In official circles it is understood that the charges between the two governments are not considered negotiations in the strict sense of the word and it is not believed certain that there will be a treaty.

Japan is evincing a satisfactory disposition toward the American government and her attitude is regarded in a favorable light by Mr. O'Brien, but the reply is not conclusive.

The complete publicity on the matter has caused the various world centers to comment widely on the chances for or against continued war agitation. The German press is apprehensive and the German foreign office and admiralty regard the next two months as constituting a critical period in the relations between the United States and Japan.

The Marine Rundschau, the principal navy magazine of Germany, says that if war doesn't develop during the next two months the union may thank the preponderance of its fleet for the maintenance of peace.

"This fleet is strong enough," it says, "to restrain Japan from the hazard of war."

La Matin, a Paris newspaper, expressed the opinion that Japan will insist upon a settlement of the immigration question before the American fleet arrives on the Pacific coast. It also says the present situation is like that existing prior to the outbreak of the Japanese-Russian war.

Swamp Victim Sure Enough

(Continued from First Page.) Mrs. Kinsman may have been her husband's frequent quarrel and she had a heavy heart. The neighbors tell of frequent quarrels of the pair. Whitmore has been arrested for assaulting his wife. Mrs. Whitmore had been arrested for improper conduct, on a charge a charge was made against her and her husband bailed her out.

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SERVICES AT THE CHURCHES SUNDAY

FAYETTEVILLE ST. BAPTIST—Rev. P. G. Elsom will preach at 11 a. m. on "How to Begin the New Year." Evangelistic services at 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. All invited.

CENTRAL METHODIST—Rev. L. B. Jones, pastor. Services tomorrow at 11 a. m. by Dr. T. N. Ivey, and at 7:30 by the pastor. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., R. E. Prince, superintendent. Epworth League Tuesday evening at 7:30. N. B. Bagwell, president. Mid-week prayer service Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock by the pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Rev. W. H. McMaster, Field Secretary of American Sabbath Union, will conduct services and preach at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Wednesday service at 7:30 p. m.

EDENTON STREET METHODIST—Rev. F. M. Shamburger, pastor. Services tomorrow at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sermon at both hours by the pastor. After the morning sermon the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., Joseph G. Brown, superintendent. Epworth League meets Monday night, and prayer-meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Visitors in the city will receive a cordial welcome.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD—Rev. I. McK. Pittenger, D. D., rector. Sunday School at 9:45 a. m. Litany Sermon and Holy Communion at 11 a. m. Services and sermon at 7:30 p. m. Monday (the Epiphany) Holy Communion at 10 a. m. Service on Wednesday at 10 a. m., and on Friday at 5 p. m. The seats are all free, and strangers and visitors are cordially invited.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH—Rev. W. C. Tyree, D.D., pastor. Usual services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. by the pastor. Sunday School at 9:30. Dr. Rufus Hunter, superintendent. B. Y. P. U. Monday evening at 7:30. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7:30. Public cordially invited to attend all services.

TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH—J. C. Massee, pastor. Preaching 11 a. m. Subject, "Jesus the fulfillment of law." 7:30 p. m., "Making a good beginning." Sunday school 9:15 a. m., N. B. Broughton, superintendent. Prayer-meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Marshall, D. D., rector; Rev. M. A. Barber, assistant. Second Sunday after Trinity. Sunday school 9:30 a. m. Divine service and holy communion 11 a. m. Evening prayer 4:30 o'clock. Services during the week: Monday, (the Epiphany) 10 a. m., holy communion; Wednesday, 4:30 p. m.; Friday, 10 a. m. Free seats. Strangers and visitors cordially invited.

SAVIOR CHAPEL—Sunday school 10 a. m. Night service 7:30 o'clock. Seats all free. Every one invited.

There will be services at the Primitive Baptist Church tomorrow evening at 7:30. Elder W. A. Simpkins will preach.

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POLICEMAN SHOOT A CHARLOTTE BOY. (Special to The Evening Times.) Charlotte, N. C., Jan. 4.—Engaged in robbing the grocery store of C. B. Moore & Sons, at the corner of south Church and Stonevall streets, last night about 10:30 o'clock, Floyd Whitaker, a young man about eighteen years old, was shot by Constable James H. Orr, who went to assist his brother, Patrolman W. R. Orr, and Patrolman W. W. Irvine in the arrest. At a late hour last night very little could be ascertained as to the extent of the boy's wounds. The ball entered the right groin and appeared to have lodged in the hip. Dr. F. O. Hawley, city physician, who was summoned to the police station to attend the wounded boy, made a tentative probe and then sent him to the Presbyterian Hospital for further investigation. The wound will be more serious, if the ball is discovered to have taken another direction and lodged in the bowels.

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EDITOR CALDWELL REMARRIED TODAY TO MISS WILLIAMS

(Special to The Times.) Washington, Jan. 4.—Mr. J. P. Caldwell, editor of the Charlotte Observer, and Mrs. Addie Williams Caldwell were re-married here at the Metropolitan Hotel at noon today. Rev. Donald C. Macleod, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, performed the ceremony.

The first marriage between the parties was on the 9th of September, 1900. A divorce in July, 1903, followed at Sioux Falls, S. D.

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Eastern District of North Carolina. By virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, on the 24th day of December, 1907, notice is hereby given that I will sell by public auction, for cash, on Monday, the 13th day of January, 1908, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the distillery premises of F. M. Pate, at La Grange, N. C., the following property, viz:

- One 700 gallon Copper Still, one 300 gallon Copper Still.
- One tub and still worm, 4 fermenters, 2 steam pumps.
- One 35-horsepower steam engine, one 40-horsepower boiler.
- One mash keel, shafting, belts and pulleys.

And at the postoffice building in the City of Raleigh, N. C., on Monday, the 27th day of January, 1908, at 12 o'clock, noon, the following property, viz:

- Nine packages of Corn Whiskey, containing 378.8 gallons.

CLAUDIUS DOCKERY, United States Marshal. Dec. 28, 1907. o a w

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