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BRITISH VETERAN IS IN LOVE WITH DAUGHTER OF UNITED STATES SENATOR

Alexander E. Robertson Claims Private Detectives Are Trying to Drive Him From the United States Because of His Love for Girl—Claims False Arrest and Intimidation.

(By The Associated Press.) NEWARK, N. J., May 8. — A request that the British embassy send an agent to escort him from the station tomorrow, so that he would not be molested, has been made by Alexander E. Robertson, British war veteran, who plans to go to Washington to press his charges that private detectives attempted to railroad him out of the country because of his efforts to win the hand of Miss Mary Culberson, daughter of Senator Charles A. Culberson, of Texas.

This became known today when it was learned that Robertson, who lives in Bloomfield, had written a special delivery letter to Morris Peterson, secretary of the British embassy, supplementing a telegram sent yesterday. Robertson is seeking to have the embassy assist him in obtaining the arrest of John R. Huland and T. G. Anderson, on charges of impersonating Federal officers. He already has caused the arrest of John F. Ellis, another detective, on a charge of kidnaping.

The friendship between Robertson and Miss Culberson was said to have started at the University of Texas three months ago, where both were students. The two met again recently in Washington, where Miss Culberson was entered in the Holton arms school.

Senator Culberson, of Texas, refused today to see newspaper men to discuss charges of Alexander E. Robertson, British war veteran, that private detectives had sought to get him out of the country because of his devotion for Miss Mary Culberson, the Senator's 21 year old daughter.

Friends of the Culberson family said Mrs. Culberson was nearly prostrate at her sixteenth street home as the result of the publication of the reports involving Robertson and Miss Culberson, who until recently was a student at the fashionable Holton Arms Finishing School here.

Chesley W. Jurney, private secretary, political manager and confidential friend of Senator Culberson, who has had full charge of the Senator's outside affairs since his health began to fail, was out of the capital yesterday and had not appeared in the capital up to noon today. His absence led to reports, which were without confirmation, that he had left for Newark, N. J., where a conference on the matter had been arranged with Mr. Jurney, Robertson, Mrs. A. P. Andrews, of Bloomfield, N. J., aunt of Robertson, and possibly, Miss Culberson as participants.

Mr. Jurney is said by some friends of the family here to have had at least one conference with Robertson at which he urged the British war veteran to bear in mind his own youth and that of the Senator's daughter, and that both wait awhile before thinking of marriage. Jurney also is understood to have talked to Miss Culberson with such effect that she entered into an understanding with Robertson that they would not talk of matrimony "until the spring of 1923" at the earliest.

Jones Declares Issue Between Criminal Element and Law Has Been Clearly Drawn In Gastonia

Law Enforcement Is Just As Effective As Good Citizens Want It to Be—Judge of Municipal Court Hits Law Violators Hard Rap—Sends Bootleggers to Roads—Whiskey Captured in Laundry.

"The issue between the criminal element and the law abiding people of Gastonia has been clearly drawn," said Judge Arthur C. Jones in Municipal Court this morning in the course of some very earnest remarks to the court crowd prior to passing sentence on several men found guilty of violating the prohibition laws.

"Law enforcement in a community is just as effective as the good citizens of that community want it to be," he continued. "The good citizens of Gastonia must cooperate with the police officers and the city officials by furnishing information which will aid in the making of arrests and the conviction of criminals. Many of our people, considered by themselves, and by others as good citizens, withhold information, the giving of which to the officers would help them to clean up the town, for fear they will make enemies or injure their businesses. The must array its strength against the criminal element if we are to have a clean town."

Judge Jones told his audience that it seemed that the imposition of fines on convicted criminals was ineffective. It has been tried out thoroughly. But crime goes right on. Especially in the matter of liquor selling conditions have grown worse. "I am serving notice," said the judge, "that so far as this court is concerned in the future when a man is convicted in the court of selling liquor or keeping liquor for sale he is going to get a real sentence."

Judge Jones, in his talk, touched also on the social evil which he said is very prevalent in Gastonia and for the suppression of which the cooperation of the law abiding element is demanded. One of the biggest liquor raids made recently by local officers was pulled off at 2 o'clock Sunday morning when Officers Whitlow, Rankin and Mings raided the Gastonia Damp Wash Laundry, corner East Franklin Avenue and Columbia street, and secured 20 pint bottles of corn liquor and found a number of bottles which had been either broken or emptied. The captured booze was introduced as evidence in Municipal Court this morning when D. T. Lilly, a young white truck driver, was arraigned on a charge of receiving, transporting and keeping liquor for sale. Officer Whitlow testified that he was passing the laundry at 2 o'clock Sunday morning and his suspicions was aroused by seeing a car standing at the door on Columbia street and three men inside. He demanded that the door be opened. This being denied, he proceeded to batter the door down. Two of the men went out the back door and the 20 pint bottles of liquor were taken. Other pint bottles lay in the sink, the stoppers having been taken out, and the booze was gurgling down the sewer pipe. Officers Tom Rankin and Mings arrived on the scene a few moments later and assisted in getting the booty back to the city hall.

After hearing the evidence against Lilly the latter's attorney, Mayor R. G. Cherry, asked that the passing of sentence be deferred until 3 o'clock this afternoon in order that he might introduce some character witnesses for the defendant. Lilly did not go on the stand nor did he introduce any evidence.

Mr. R. B. Kephart, owner of the Gastonia Damp Wash Laundry, states that neither he nor Mr. H. M. Robinson, the manager, had any knowledge of the fact that Lilly had liquor on the premises. They regret very much that one of their employees took the liberty of bringing whiskey on the premises. He was there at the time without their knowledge or consent.

Will White, colored, was given 60 days on the roads for receiving, transporting and keeping liquor for sale. Through his attorney, Mr. E. R. Warren, he appealed to Superior Court and his appeal bond was fixed at \$300. A half gallon of whiskey was taken from White's house. It was in a jug. He claimed he had it for his "personal" use. A tin can was also found which had had liquor in it.

Charles Long and Ernest Long, white, were each given ten months on the roads for selling liquor. The State introduced evidence to the effect that each sold to W. L. Cato a pint of liquor for which he paid \$3 in each instance. One pint was secured Saturday night and the other Sunday morning. Both gave notice of appeal to Superior Court and their bonds were fixed at \$1,000 each.

Chesley Montgomery, white, was sentenced to six months on the roads for receiving, transporting and keeping liquor for sale. Officer Adam Hord arrested him on Franklin Avenue Saturday night and took from his person two and a half pints of liquor. Montgomery refused to tell where he got his liquor or who was with him.

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LLOYD GEORGE STRONGLY URGES RUSSIA TO ACCEPT ALLIED MEMORANDUM

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR TO GATHER IN TWIN CITY Over 1,000 Uniformed Knights Will March in Big Parade Thursday at 11 A. M.

The greatest Knights Templar demonstration ever attempted in North Carolina will be in the form of a parade next Thursday morning at 11 o'clock in Winston-Salem when 1,000 full uniformed, plumed knights will march in review before the grand commandery of North Carolina, Knights Templar.

The annual meeting of all York Rite Masonic bodies will be held in Winston-Salem beginning Tuesday night at 7 o'clock with opening of the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons. This meeting will be followed by sessions of Grand Council, Royal Arch and Select Masters at 1:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

The crowning event of all will be the opening of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar, at 7 o'clock Wednesday night. After the customary preliminary program the magnificent degree of the Temple will be exemplified by Plantagenet Commandery No. 1, of Wilmington. This commandery has had the degree work under preparation for 12 months and will render a class of degree work seldom witnessed in Masonic circles. Every Knight Templar is expected to witness this work.

On Thursday at 11 o'clock the big parade will be staged. Elaborate preparations for this event have been under way for many months. It is expected to eclipse anything ever seen in the state from a Masonic point of view. Special trains will take plumed Knights from the various parts of the state and when the command to begin marching is given over a thousand Knights of the Cross and Crown will obey the command. Many Masons from Gastonia and Gaston county are expected to make the pilgrimage to the tobacco capital.

The Petlin band will also attend in full force. The following letter has been received by W. V. Warren: Winston-Salem, N. C., May 5th, 1922. Mr. W. V. Warren, Gastonia, N. C. Dear Sir:

You are doubtless aware our Grand Commander Raymond C. Dunn has offered a silver loving cup to the Commandery making the best record at the 12th Annual Conclave to be held in Winston-Salem on May 19th and 11th. This cup is now in my possession, and is certainly a most beautiful piece of work; one any Commandery would be proud to own. It is typical of the high-heartedness and enthusiasm of our Grand Commander, which makes it all the more to be desired. I am having sent you a copy of the local paper, giving a more detailed account.

On behalf of Piedmont Commandery No. 6, I wish to extend you our most hearty congratulations and we truly hope you and a great number of your Sir Knights will be present, with a strong desire to take this cup home. This will undoubtedly be the biggest Masonic meeting ever held in this state, and we want you and your Commandery here in full force. Think of over one thousand Knights Templar in full uniform in grand parade! God bless you!

R. E. JOHNSON, Grand Sword Bearer.

COOK COUNTY JAIL INMATES BREAK LOOSE IN RIOT Drop Burning Blankets to Lower Floors—Bedlam Is Heard for Blocks.

(By The Associated Press.) CHICAGO, May 8.—A four-hour riot in the Cook county jail was quelled early today when Wesley Westbrook, warden, and 20 guards removed the riot leaders from their cells one at a time and whipped them. Displeasure of the prisoners over a change in the method of admitting visitors led to the outbreak.

The riot started on the fourth tier. Flaming blankets were dropped to the ground floor. Dense smoke almost suffocated many inmates. With steel strike bars from their banks, the prisoners beat upon the bars of their cells, the bedlam being heard for blocks.

The women's ward is just above the fourth tier and close to the center of the disturbance. Four babies, who were locked up when their mothers and two other women were committed last Thursday on a contempt of court sentence three years ago, became hysterical and jail physicians were called to quiet them. One woman, about to become a mother, was reported to be suffering a severe nervous shock.

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Dawes Estimates Government Expenditures For 1922 Will Be \$1,600,000,000 Less Than 1921

Director of Budget on Economics and Savings in Governmental Business Submits Report to Congress—Claims Many Reductions in Several Departments of Government.

(By The Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, May 8.—Ships and shoes and sealing wax — as well as sundries, binding twine and miscellaneous groceries — figure in the \$1,600,000,000 saving which Director Dawes, of the Budget Bureau, expects to pare from the gross expenditures of the Government during 1922 as compared with those of 1921. The detailed report, sent by President Harding to Congress today, comprises nearly one hundred pages of closely printed items, the scope of which would make a large department store's offering seem quite limited in comparison.

In computing the economy resulting from the transfer of surplus material from one department to another, Director Dawes credited as saving only the difference between the "market price" and the "forced sale price." This quantity of "steel washers and oil," transferred from the Shipping Board to the public prints, resulted in net savings of only fourteen cents, while many similar items from the shipyard to the interior Department saved \$5.00 and quantity of salt to the marine corps was credited with \$11.97.

Pipes and pipe fittings, blacksmith tools and "holders, complete," all came within the survey, along with more deadly items such as cyanide of potassium, which the navy turned over to the treasury for some unnamed use.

Several millions of dollars in ships transferred figured in the report, ranging from Launch No. 4498, valued at \$200, to others of the Ramapo and Sapelo types entered at \$645,000 each. The replacement value of the others was estimated at \$1,992,000 but Director Dawes held that they would only bring \$464,000 at forced sale.

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TODAY'S COTTON MARKET CLOSING BIDS ON THE NEW YORK MARKET

(By The Associated Press.) NEW YORK, May 8.—Cotton futures closed steady. May 1888; July 1942; October 1953; December 1960; January 1942; March 1974; spots 20-25. Strict to Good Middling 18c. Cotton 500 50 1/2.

THE WEATHER

North Carolina, fair tonight and Tuesday, not much change in temperature.