

WARD, CENTRAL FIGURE IN SHOOTING, RELEASED UNDER \$50,000 BOND

Peters' Lawyer Declares That Charlie Ross Has Been Tried For Blackmail.

REPORTERS GET EVIDENCE

Ward Is Confined in Same Jail in Which Harry Thaw Was Placed.

(By The Associated Press.) NEWBURGH, N. Y., May 27. — Supreme Court Justice Seeger today ordered Walter S. Ward, of New Rochelle, central figure in the shooting of Clarence Peters, released on \$50,000 bail.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., May 27. — Following their failure to secure release from jail of Walter S. Ward, confessed slayer of Clarence Peters, on a writ of habeas corpus, attorneys for the son of the millionaire baker were expected to transfer their attack to Newburgh, N. Y., the home of Supreme Court Justice A. H. F. Seeger.

Application was expected to be made for Ward's release on a new bail bond. "That Charlie Ross" did exist and that he was on trial less than a year ago on a charge of blackmailing a wealthy man in New York, was the declaration of Michael L. Sullivan, of Salem, Mass., who says he is in New York to look after the interests of the Peters family. Sullivan did not deny that he had investigators tracing Ross, who was said to be at liberty on a suspended sentence.

Reporters searching the grounds around the Ward home in New Rochelle, discovered many bits of shattered glass, such as used in the make of car said by Ward to have carried him to the spot near the Kaonko reservoir, where Peters was shot and killed.

In the gutter in front of the house a cheap playing card, the five of spades with a reddish back, was found. A pack of cards was in Peters' coat when he was discovered.

Ward was allowed to stay in the sheriff's private office last night until long after the regular retiring hour for prisoners in the jail. He also sent out for his meals. He had several visitors during the evening, two men dressed in gray, one of whom brought a long envelope, said to have been a message from his counsel. Ward, when taken to the jail, was assigned to the cell block where Harry Thaw was one time confined.

NEW YORK, May 27. — The New York Evening World today prints the following in regard to Walter S. Ward, who has admitted he killed Clarence Peters:

"More and more indications have been encountered to support the rumor that young Ward was not dealing with the blackmailers to protect his own reputation, but that of another man to whom he was under heavy obligations and who trusted in his nerve and intelligence. The man named as the actual object of the blackmail threats was given to diversions on Broadway long before the days of prohibition."

"There is not the slightest ground, investigators find, that Walter S. Ward had any such acquaintances as were found in all night drinking resorts or had any liking for that sort of society. But with the high regard and obligation existing between the athletic commissioner of New Rochelle and the man who was proved upon by blackmailers it was entirely natural that the victim should turn to Walter Ward to help him out of his trouble."

The Evening World claims to have traced the revolted which attorneys for Ward turned over to Sheriff Werner, of West Chester county, as the weapon with which Ward asserted Peters, an ex-navy man, who applied for enlistment in the marines, had attacked him. The revolver was said to have been shipped from the Smith & Wesson factory on September 21, 1918, and assigned to J. W. Weed & Co., hardware dealers, of Savannah, Ga. The number was given as 274,678.

"The marine training base at Paris Island, S. C., where young Peters went late in April as a tentative recruit, is but 20 miles from Savannah. Married on liberty make Savannah for their fun," said the newspaper.

MAX OSER WILL COME TO AMERICA IN JUNE.

(By The Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, May 27.—Max Oser, horseman of Zurich, Switzerland, whose engagement to Miss Mathilde McCormick, 17-year-old daughter of Harold P. McCormick, started American society when it was announced several months ago, plans to come to Chicago in June, according to reports published here today.

At the same time Miss McCormick prepared to leave today for New York with Miss Julia Mangold, of Zurich, who sails for Europe next week. It had been expected that Miss McCormick would return to Switzerland with her friends, but Miss Mangold sails alone, it was said.

This news came on the heels of the appointment of Miss McCormick's father as her guardian.

DAVIE FARMER SHOTS NEGRO WHO ASSAULTED DAUGHTER

(By The Associated Press.) WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., May 27.—Ab Hudson, a middle aged negro, was shot and killed late Friday afternoon four miles from Mocksville, Davie county, by C. E. Clayton, a prominent farmer, Hudson being charged with criminally assaulting the farmers 18-year-old daughter eight months ago.

Miss Clayton, told her father and mother that she was chloroformed by the negro, who forced her from a field into the woods where the alleged assault was committed. The irate father used a double-barrel shotgun and fired two shots at Hudson, the first one taking effect in his throat and the second tore off half of the lower part of his head.

Clayton surrendered to the officers and was committed to jail to await hearing.

HI-Y CLUB WINDS UP YEAR'S WORK WITH BANQUET

William Sparrow Heads Club For Next Year — Business Men Address the Club.

(C. K. Marshall, Jr.) The Gastonia Hi-Y Club brought to a close its year's work Thursday evening when they had as their guests several local business men and the boys of the Junior class of the high school. The latter were organized into a Hi-Y Club for the 1922-1923 school term.

The banquet was held at the First Baptist annex and President Ralph Falls had charge of the evening's program. The first gentleman to speak to the young men was Mr. Joe H. Spark, local yarn manufacturer and deeply interested in boys work. The speaker congratulated the members of the class of '22 for their interest they had shown in high school work. Mr. Spark also brought out clearly the standing of North Carolina colleges and that the boys who go to college next fall could find no better courses anywhere than those offered by state institutions.

Messrs. J. Lee Robinson and B. H. Parker spoke to the young men a few minutes on the meaning of the Hi-Y pin. Pins were presented to each of the seniors, presents of Mr. Robinson, by Mr. Parker. The latter also told of his trip to the recent Chamber of Commerce meeting in Washington City and brought back the message that Chas. E. Hughes, Secretary of State, delivered to the national delegates.

Other speakers of the occasion were Messrs. Sam A. Robinson, W. P. Grier and J. Y. Todd. Mr. Robinson handed to the members some sound advice concerning their college education and affairs. Supt. Grier expressed his appreciation to Mr. Todd and his Hi-Y club for the splendid work they had done in the high school during the year just closed. In closing several of the young men make a few remarks about the year's work.

The 1923 Hi-Y Club was organized the same evening, William R. Sparrow being elected as president to take up the duties of office the first of September.

SPENT DAYS WITH ONE MAN; NIGHTS WITH ANOTHER

(By The Associated Press.)

FLINT, Mich., May 27.—Mrs. Lola Spayer, alleged to have passed her days as the wife of Anthony Spayer, a night police patrolman, and her nights with Henry Roback, a day time factory worker, was arrested in Lansing today on a warrant charging bigamy.

Mrs. Spayer, 25 years old, and described as attractive, disappeared three days ago when she learned neighbors had become suspicious of her actions and were investigating the alleged two-trick matrimonial tangle.

Both Roback and Spayer aided the officers in seeking the woman.

Officers allege their investigations have shown the woman spent each day at Spayer's home and after seeing him off to work in the afternoon, went to Roback's home and had dinner waiting for him when his day's work at the factory was done.

SLEUTHS AND "SHADOWS" BUSY IN WASHINGTON

(By The Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, May 27. — Sleuths and "shadows" are playing a veritable game of ring-around-the-rosy with each other as the Blair-Dover controversy in the Treasury continues to develop. It was said today by close friends of C. C. Childs, of Ohio, and A. D. Sumner, of Iowa, the Dover appointees in the internal revenue bureau whose dismissal by Commissioner Blair started the newest chapter in the row.

Revenue bureau intelligence agents, it was asserted, are watching Mr. Childs and Mr. Sumner, department of justice agents are watching the revenue agents, secret service men are watching the Justice Department agents and operatives of a private detective agency is watching the whole array of sleuths.

Mr. Childs was in the lobby of a local hotel last night, friends asserted, and operatives of one sort and another were so thick he could hardly make his way to the door.

Friends of the former officials further declare that the days and nights of the two are a series of adventures involving mysterious strangers, tapped telephone wires, eager ears cocked to open transoms and patient footsteps behind them on the street.

TEXAS NEGRO KILLED BY FATHER OF GIRL WHOM HE ATTACKED

Body Dragged Behind Truck Through Streets and Then Burned, After Being Shot Dead.

WACO, TEXAS, May 26. — A 23-year-old negro was killed here late today by the father of Miss Margaret Hayes, victim of an attack Thursday night, when she identified the negro as her assailant. Seven shots were fired into the negro's body at the home of the girl's father, and the head was then beaten in by clubs.

The negro was apprehended on the public square this afternoon by E. L. McClure, a telegraph operator, who took him to the home of the girl. When the negro entered the room the girl screamed that it was he who attacked her.

The father then seized a pistol and began firing. A crowd stormed the undertaking parlor where the body was taken, dragged the corpse behind a truck through the streets and burned it on the public square.

AUSTIN, TEXAS, May 26. — A detachment of state rangers was ordered to enroute for Waco this afternoon in response to a request from County Attorney Frank Tiry, of McLennan county, who said he needed assistance in controlling the situation. The rangers carried two machine guns and other fire-arms.

WESLEYAN CHURCH TO HOLD PARENT'S DAY SUNDAY

Special Program Arranged Covering Entire Day—Takes Place of Mother's Day Anniversary.

The First Wesleyan Methodist church has changed the order of things a little and instead of celebrating Mother's Day on the second Sunday in May will observe the fourth Sunday in May as Parents' Day.

A special program has been arranged for the entire day. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. as usual. Preaching at 11:00 at which time the pastor, Rev. C. A. Hendrix, will deliver a sermon in honor of the parents.

Dinner will be served on the grounds in order that those who come from some distance will be able to attend all the services. Members of the church are expected to bring baskets and all others who wish may also do the same.

A special program to be rendered by the children will begin at 3:00 p. m. with Mrs. C. A. Hendrix in charge.

The closing service for the day will begin at 8:00 p. m. This will be a program given by the young people of the church.

STOCKS AND BONDS ARE STILL ON HIGH LEVELS

NEW YORK, May 27. — Prices of stocks and bonds this week were again largely sustained by favorable technical conditions, although dealings in both branches of the financial markets were more moderate and subjected to occasional setbacks.

Economic factors continued to favor the constructive side. The ten per cent reduction in freight rates ordered by the Interstate Commerce Commission was in line with general forecasts and exerted little adverse effect upon the railway list. In point of fact, many minor or low grade rails rose to highest prices of the year. Conspicuous among the cheaper issues of that division were New Haven, Erie, Chicago and Alton, Chicago and Great Western, Wabash and several of the southwestern systems which only recently emerged from their receivership or reorganization periods.

Steels and equipments were hesitant, the halt in the merger plans partly due to Federal intervention, acting as a damper on speculative operations. Pools were less aggressive in oils and motors, but transferred their activities to sugars, tobaccos, metals and various miscellaneous shares, notably mail order and chain store issues.

An increase in clearing house loans and discounts to the year's largest total probably contributed to the firmer tone of domestic money rates. International currencies were responsive to the more hopeful aspects of the European situation. Nearly all the continental exchanges strengthened on advices which indicated an easing of the tension in Franco-German relations.

GREATEST SHOWING OF "PREP" SCHOOL STARS

CHICAGO MAY 27. — The cream of 1,000 high school and academy athletes from all sections of the country was left today to compete in the University of Chicago's inter-scholastic track and field meet. Judging from showings in yesterday's elimination tests, predictions were made that several records which have stood for years would not survive today's final.

The meet has attracted the greatest list of "prep" stars ever participating in scholastic trial.

Individual stars stood out yesterday true to prediction, but most prominent among them was the much touted "Bud" Houser, lone representative of Oxnard, California, high school.

FIST FIGHT FOLLOWS PARENT-TEACHERS MEET IN AN ATLANTA SCHOOL

Misses Nell Gatins and Henrietta Masserling Are the Ladies in Question.

WERE OF CATHOLIC FAITH

Row Developed Over Election of Two Lady Teachers Who Forbade Bible Reading.

(By The Associated Press.) ATLANTA, GA., May 27. — A policeman was acting as watchman of the Inman Park public school here today after police had been called out last night to quell a fight that took place at a meeting of the parent-teacher's association of that school.

The disturbance developed, according to versions given by both sides, after introduction of a resolution expressing sympathy for Miss Nell Gatins, principal, who is ill, and recommending the re-election of her and of Miss Henrietta Masserling as assistant principals. A substitute resolution was offered, charging they had refused to permit the Bible to be read in the school and saying this was because they are Catholics.

Announcement was made recently in the school board that efforts would be started to rid the public schools of Catholic teachers but the question has never come to a vote.

Nobody was seriously hurt in the fistfight that took place last night, police said, and no arrests were made. Four or five men took part.

"CHURCH STEPS" SUBJECT OF MR. KIRKPATRICK'S SERMON

Pastor Uses Blackboard to Answer Questions Young People Ask About Church Membership.

Although held on a busy Saturday morning the children and young people's service at Main Street Methodist church was well attended. Mrs. C. L. Stiedley, who is directing the music during the meeting, was in charge of a splendid young people's choir, which was greatly assisted by a newly organized Junior choir.

Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick selected for his subject "Church Steps." By use of the blackboard and with the aid of the young people themselves in answering questions he made the way to church membership and the Christian life so simple and plain that the smallest child could understand. But not only that a lesson that the childish mind could comprehend, it was also clear, convincing discourse which solved perplexing questions for the mature minds as well.

The closing moments of the service were most impressive as the altar was entirely surrounded by bright faced boys and girls, pledging new allegiance to the church whose steps they had already ascended, and by one who was taking the first, that of repentance.

"Where is Abel, thy brother," was the text from which Rev. C. S. Kirkpatrick preached at the Friday evening service at Main Street Methodist church. Personal responsibility was the theme of Mr. Kirkpatrick's sermon. Every person is responsible for the salvation of some one, he said, and the Lord is going to hold us to that responsibility, declared the preacher.

Rev. Mr. Kirkpatrick cited the grief and sorrow which comes into the homes of earthly parents when one of the family is lost or missing. He used the familiar illustration of the boy who runs away from home, whose return is always awaited, the mother who keeps a lamp burning in an upstairs room, in far greater measure Jesus is longing and waiting for the sinners' return, said the preacher.

Personal work among the unsaved is necessary for the success of an evangelistic service, said Mr. Kirkpatrick and he urged the members of the church not to wait until the meeting is over before they begin to realize the importance of it.

The singing was in charge of Rev. H. H. Jordan.

DR. J. L. OATES CALLED TO COLUMBIA A. R. P. CHURCH

Of interest to the many friends of Dr. J. L. Oates in Gaston county is the following dispatch from York:

"Rev. J. L. Oates, D. D., pastor of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian church of York, has received a call to the pastorate of the A. R. P. church of Columbia. The call was extended him today and he has taken the matter under advisement."

"Dr. Oates is one of the best known ministers of the A. R. P. denomination in South Carolina, and has been pastor of the York A. R. P. church for the last 13 years. He was born in Gaston county, N. C., graduated from Erskine College in 1896 and from Erskine Theological Seminary two years later. His first charge was at Bartow, Fla. He also had charges in Lancaster and western York before coming to the town of Yorkville."

CLOUDY AND SHOWERS NEXT WEEK'S FORECAST

WASHINGTON, May 27. — Weather outlook for the week beginning Monday:

Middle Atlantic States and South Atlantic and East Gulf States: Considerable cloudiness, occasional showers; moderate temperature.

OFFICERS STILL GUARD JAIL WITH FIVE NEGROES SENTENCED TO DEATH

Excitement Following Burning of Negro Has Ceased, But Rangers Are on Guard.

FATHER SHOT THE NEGRO

Men Vied With Each Other to Get Part of Negro's Body as Souvenir.

(By The Associated Press.) WACO, Texas, May 27. — Excitement and disorder incident to the killing and burning of Jesse Thomas, 23-year-old negro, virtually had ceased early today, but local officers, reinforced by a detachment of Texas Rangers, still stood guard over the McLennan county jail to protect five negroes under sentence for murder. A mob surrounded the structure all night but had dwindled considerably today.

Sam Harris, father of Mrs. Margaret Hayes, 25, fired seven bullets into Thomas' body late yesterday when the young negro was taken before Mrs. Hayes and she identified him as the man who had killed W. Harrell Bolton, 25, her escort, and criminally attacked her.

County officials, said they did not think any charge would be filed against Mr. Harris, who was congratulated by friends and neighbors.

Thomas' body, removed from the Harris home to a morgue, was seized by a mob, dragged through the street, burned in the public square as hundreds of persons looked on, and then was hauled through the negro district while men vied with one another in trying to obtain parts of it as souvenirs.

Waco is the home of Pat M. Neff, governor of Texas, who on Thursday issued a denunciation of the "increasing tendency toward mobocracy in Texas."

Three other negroes taken in connection with the murder and attack are in jail. Officers say they do not believe the men are guilty of any crime, but fear to release them until the mob spirit has subsided.

\$100,000 FIRE EARLY TODAY AT MCCORMICK.

MCCORMICK, S. C., May 27. — Loss estimated at \$100,000 resulted from a fire in the heart of the business section here today. The fire started on the second floor of the Peoples Bank building at 11 o'clock last night, and was not under control until 3 o'clock this morning.

Origin of the fire is unknown. All fire sufferers were located in the bank building, which is a three-story structure and covers a wide area.

COTTON MARKET

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NEW YORK, May 27. — Cotton futures closed barely steady.

July 1922; October 20.65; December 20.46; January 20.20; March 20.05; Spots 21.50.

TODAY'S COTTON MARKET

Strict to Good Middling.....20c Cotton Seed.....49 3/4

THE WEATHER

North Carolina, unsettled tonight and Sunday, probably showers; cooler in east and central portions tonight.

NOMINATED TO SUCCEED KNOX IN U. S. SENATE AND FOR FULL TERM.

Major David A. Reed, of Pittsburgh, received the Republican nomination at the recent Pennsylvania primaries for the unexpired term of the late Senator Knox and also for the full term beginning next March. He was practically unopposed and this assures his election.

Major Reed was one of the first Pittsburghers enrolled for the original military training camp at Plattsburg. He served after the war as American representative on several inter-Allied commissions. Major Reed married Miss Adele Wilcox, of New York.

\$20,000 Verdict Is Awarded Lincolnton Girl In Vermont

BISHOP KILGO AGAIN IN CRITICAL CONDITION MEMPHIS, TENN., May 27. — Bishop John C. Kilgo, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, who is ill at a hospital here, was extremely weak this morning, following a restless night. Physicians at the hospital said Bishop Kilgo was in a comatose state and described his condition as again critical. His son, Jack Kilgo, of Charlotte, N. C., is expected to arrive here today.

STATE CONVICT CAMP COMING TO MT. HOLLY

Too Many Convicts Are Escaping From Camp in Yancey County, Says George R. Pou, Superintendent of State Prison.

(By Associated Press.) ASHEVILLE, N. C., May 26. — Because 21 of the 52 state convicts maintained at the Boone Ford camp in Yancey county have escaped since January 1, and there have been two attempts at wholesale delivery by dynamiting the camp, George R. Pou, superintendent of the state prison, has announced his intention of moving the camp to Mount Holly, in Gaston county.

Superintendent Pou has expressed the opinion that the numerous escapes have been through aid of guards who are recruited chiefly from residents of the vicinity of the camp. Monroe Hensley, serving an 18-year term for murder, who recently escaped, surrendered to the sheriff here yesterday.

THE MASTER CHRISTIAN DR. BRUNER'S SUBJECT

Life of Apostle Paul Is Used by Preacher as Basis For Sermon Last Evening.

"The Master Christian" was the subject of Dr. Bruner's sermon at the Baptist church last night, taking the life of Paul as a basis. There are masters in every profession and avocation of life, said the speaker, and it is not necessary for a person to be a genius in order to succeed in his chosen work. Experience has demonstrated time and again that hard work is more than a match for genius and that some of the world's master builders in various lines of endeavor are just ordinary men who apply themselves to their tasks.

First, he discussed Paul's marvelous Christian experience and then his marvelous intellect, coupled with great energy and courage. These are the determining factors in success when directed wisely, shown by numerous examples. He was swift to obey God's revealed word though it crossed the desires of his own heart. This is the secret of Paul's wonderful success and the secret of every successful man's life. He put first things first and worked without ceasing. God blessed his efforts and he stands out today as one of the world's greatest characters. The same is true today. Using an illustration from the life of General Booth, of the Salvation Army, Dr. Bruner declared that wherever God is put first, men second and things third, success will follow. Too many of us, he said, reverse the order. We too often put things first, men second and God third in our lives.

This evening at 8:10 Dr. Bruner will preach at the corner of Main and Marietta streets. Tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, at the First Baptist church, at 3 p. m. tomorrow, he will talk to women only, from the subject, "Two Women and Two Girls."

Dr. Bruner's subject this morning was "The Purpose of Prayer," defining this as being the best way of keeping his followers conscious of God's presence in their lives, to make them love His creatures, even their enemies. There are, said the speaker, certain barriers which must be removed before God will hear and answer prayer. Among these are sin and often the unwillingness to pay the price. A striking example was taken from the life of Peter. In a stormy period of his life, when James had been murdered and Peter cast into prison with almost certain death to follow, his disciples had gathered to pray for him. When he was released by an angel and came to his disciples, they at first refused to believe that such a thing was possible, even though it came as an answer to their own prayers. God does for us, the speaker said, the things we cannot do for ourselves but never that which our own efforts would accomplish.

CALIFORNIA LOOKS TO BE WINNER IN TRACK MEET

CAMBRIDGE, MASS., May 27. — It was still the West against the East today in the alignment of athletic forces for the final events of the inter-collegiate A. A. A. 46th annual track and field championships. Thousands of enthusiasts went to the Harvard stadium to see the youth of 30 of the country's colleges in action, with a general agreement that California would win the meet.

In the preliminaries, California, with a team of fifteen men qualified entrants for fifteen men. John Merchant, the stocky Californian, with the build and power of a wrestler, qualified in four events and incidentally broke the inter-collegiate record for throwing the sixteen pound hammer, with his mighty heave of 121 feet 2 inches.

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YOUNG NELSON ADMITS ON STAND THAT HE HAD CURSED HIS YOUNG WIFE

Mrs. Nelson Is Given Ovation Following the Jury's Verdict.

HUSBAND ANGERS COURT

Father Nelson Admits That He Loved Nell Rudisill Nelson as a Daughter.

(By The Associated Press.) WINDSOR, VT., May 26. — Nellie Russell Nelson, Dixie girl from Lincolnton, N. C., suing the parents of Romeyn Webster Nelson, for alienation, was awarded \$20,000 by a jury in the United States district court late tonight. It was one of the largest verdicts in similar cases in the history of Vermont courts.

The findings of the jury occasioned no demonstration until the girl reached the steps outside the courthouse. There she was mobbed by friends who had followed the trial each day. Eager hands were outstretched to congratulate the trembling, timid girl from the south, whose tears continued to flow, despite the fact that the verdict was in her favor.

In the jury was out three hours. Romeyn's father appeared pleased, and was the first to reach the girl's side. The mother, however, wore a look of extreme disgust and anger.

WINDSOR, VT., May 26. — The \$20,000 alienation suit brought by Nellie Rudisill Nelson against her husband's parents reached the jury this evening. John W. Redmond, counsel for the Dixie girl, opening his plea late today.

Thomas S. Nelson, the "slate king" co-defendant, with his wife, was the last witness heard. A letter from him to the daughter-in-law was read, as follows:

"Dear Nellie: Romeyn came home today and told us the news that you were married. It was quite a surprise to us. Romeyn seemed to think you were the only girl for him, and I have been of the same opinion for some time and for two reasons. First, because you seem to have good influence over him in all ways, and, besides, Romeyn has good judgment."

"We wish to thank your parents for their kindness in offering to keep you with them for the two years that Romeyn shall be in school. We shall hope they will be good enough to let us have you part of the time."

"Now that I have a daughter, which both Mrs. Nelson and I have longed for, we shall be very choic of her. You can be my boss while she is away. Now, my girl, you both have our blessings. We will do all in our power to make you happy. Dad."

"Lovingly, your father, THOMAS B. NELSON."

The father-in-law testified his sentiments toward the girl were the same as though she were his own daughter. He denied having said that Romeyn made a mistake in marrying Nellie.

"Did you ever sit around the house and sneer at her?" he was asked. "No. I thought too much of her."

"Did you ever urge your son to get rid of Nellie?" "No. This separation has been one of the greatest griefs of my life."

Witness then stated under cross-examination that his daughter-in-law was truthful, loyal, a girl of noticeably strong character. He was surprised to learn that she was going south and thought she was worried about sickness in her family.

According to Romeyn's father, the son wouldn't discuss his separation with him.

Asked to look upon his little daughter-in-law across the room, Nelson pronounced a healthy and dignified citizen of heraboutness for years, broke down and wept bitterly. "When she goes, there will be a lot to go with her," he sobbed. "For to me she was my little girl."

Son a Sorry Spectacle. Nelson's son made a sorry sight on the stand under a grueling cross-examination. He admitted with a smile, that he had used profanity to his wife. This invoked the anger of the court. He admitted that the only serious quarrel occurred when his wife insisted that he stay with her during the night.

Cooking and housekeeping were subjects so distasteful to his southern bride, Romeyn said, that even her own room was "a mess." He was disappointed, he admitted, that she did not join in more aptly and help his mother.

"Did you testify that the only room she took care of was her own room?" "Yes. Her room was a mess. I had to pick up after her. She was lazy."

"Did you ever use profanity toward your wife?" "Oh, yes."

"How many times, before the Boston trip?" "Often. I was peeved because she didn't take an interest in housework."