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AN ACTRESS WILL SUE N. Y. SENATOR

Another Scandal Pops Up In Political Circles Of The Big Town.

DEFENDANT A BRIDEGROOM

Girl Declares That Senator Wrote Many Endearing Letters.

New York, Sept. 30.—Senator William J. Hefferman, boss of the Seventh Assembly District, Brooklyn, member of the High Court of Impeachment and incidentally a bridegroom for a week, is the prospective target for a suit for \$25,000 for alleged breach of promise to marry, in which the initial step has been taken.

A young woman, said to be an actress giving her name as Adele De P. Bissett, made application Monday before Supreme Court Justice Clark of Kings County for the appointment of a special guardian for the purposes of a breach of promise suit the young woman intended to bring against Senator Hefferman. Miss Bissett is eighteen, and for the purposes of the action Mrs. Darelle Giaimo, her mother, was appointed her guardian. The address of the applicant was given as No. 215 West One Hundred and Ninth street, Manhattan.

Senator Hefferman married Miss Agnes Lynch of No. 795 President street Brooklyn Monday. He and his bride left after their marriage on a honeymoon trip and returned Saturday. When asked concerning the suit the Senator said he had not been served with papers and knew no reason why any woman should sue him for breach of promise. The Senator admitted a political friend had told him that the preliminary step toward bringing the suit had been taken.

In making application for guardianship, Miss Bissett alleged she met Hefferman in August, 1912, and that from that date until March, 1913, she had corresponded with him. She alleged that besides addressing her in letters as his "intended," he promised to marry her in the latter part of March, 1913. It is also alleged that Senator Hefferman told the girl's mother the same thing.

When a reporter called at No. 215 West One Hundred and Ninth street yesterday the proprietor of furnished apartments there said that a Miss Bissett, with two other women, one of them elderly, had lived there a short time, but had left last Wednesday. This was the day the application for the guardianship was filed. It was said Miss Bissett had moved to No. 140 West One Hundred and Ninth street. At this number the janitor said that he knew no one named Bissett or Giaimo. He designated a flat into which three women had moved Wednesday from No. 215. The names in the hall directory were not those of Bissett or Giaimo.

Two young women came to the door. One, a brunette, was about twenty-seven; the other, a blonde, was about twenty-two. When asked if Miss Bissett lived there they said in chorus:

"We don't know anyone of that name you must have the wrong address."

"Is Mrs. Giaimo in?"

"We never heard of her."

The reporter explained that he was looking for the young woman who had taken steps to sue Senator Hefferman for breach of promise.

Again in chorus: "We don't know the Senator. We wish we did."

"I'm not a young girl," said the brunette. "I've got a boy seven years old."

"I haven't sued anyone," said the blonde. "If a man didn't care enough for me to marry me I would forget him."

At this juncture a woman about fifty-five came to the door.

"These are my two daughters," she said, "and they wouldn't sue anyone. You've got the wrong family."

"Honest, we don't want our names in the paper," said the brunette. "Has the Senator got any money?"

Further efforts to draw out an acknowledgment that either of the women was the Miss Bissett who started the breach of promise suit failed.

Captain J. M. Satterfield, commander of the local branch of the Salvation Army, received an order from the headquarters of the Army stating that his transfer from this city to Spartansburg, S. C., would be made on October 20. A farewell meeting will be held at the Army Hall Sunday night.

THE PARCEL POST IS MONEY MAKER

Already More Than Paying Its Own Way Say Postal Officials.

BIG SERVICE IS PREDICTED

Care Taken To Give Small Merchants Same Chance as Large Firms.

Washington, Sept. 30.—The new parcel post regulations are working so well that the mails are practically as heavy as during the usual Christmas season. A large number of parcels are being mailed for delivery in the first and second zones under the reduced postage rates. Advertising matter constitutes a large part of the increased weight of mails, but the bulk of it apparently relates to the parcel post or mail order business of department stores and merchants.

That the parcel post will more than pay its own way is beyond question, according to officials of the Post-Office Department. While Postmaster-General Burleson will not predict a surplus for the fiscal year, which ended June 30, other officials of the department insist that there is no possible doubt on that point. They go further and declare that a surplus of approximately \$10,000,000 is a certainty, due largely to the establishment of the parcel post.

Postmaster-General Burleson takes the conservative position that he wants to show a surplus that cannot be explained away by any kind of figuring. He says that he had in contemplation two further changes in the parcel post system that would make an annual surplus a certainty. The exact nature of these changes he would not indicate. The present surplus is made up largely of increased postage revenues from the sale of fourth class mail matter between Jan. and June 30. For that six-month period the revenues from fourth class matter approximated \$14,000,000. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1912, the receipts were approximately \$12,500,000, or nearly a million and a half dollars less than for the first six months of the parcel post system. The railroads received no compensation for carrying parcel post matter between Jan. 1 and June 30, but they were paid the usual compensation for carrying the regular weight of fourth class matter. As all fourth class matter bore parcel post stamps, the railroads technically were paid for carrying parcel post matter, but were not given an increased compensation on account of the large volume of business.

After deducting the amount which the railroads were paid for carrying the usual volume of fourth class matter and all other charges that can be properly credited to the parcel post, a surplus of several million dollars remains. This of course will not be as large at the end of the next fiscal year, during which the railroads will be paid an additional 5 per cent. for carrying parcel post mail and other expenses will be added.

In addition to the parcel post surplus there was a saving of \$1,500,000 during the fiscal year through sending magazine and periodical mail by fast freight. Officials hope to convince Congress that the extension of this service should be permitted. When it is made to cover the entire country, instead of the Central and Middle Western sections, as at present, another \$1,500,000 may be added to the annual saving.

The aim of the Post Office Department Officials is to make the parcel post a popular system, according to every citizen the same treatment. For example, the great mail order houses of the large cities have no monopoly of this system. The small merchant has equal rights and privileges. If he is not getting them officials here would like to be told of that fact.

MASONIC NOTICE.

A special communication of St. John's lodge No. 3 A. F. and A. M., will be held this Wednesday, afternoon at 3 o'clock for the purpose of paying the last sad tribute of respect to our deceased brother, C. R. F. Edwards, of Roper, Lodge No. 443, Roper, N. C.

A full attendance is desired.

By order of W. M.

W. H. BAIN, Secretary.

Mrs. H. W. Gibbs, of Beaufort, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. O. A. Kafer, returned home yesterday.

ARRANGING TO HAVE THE FAIR OPEN EVERY NIGHT

Midway Will Be Ablaze With Light And Color And There Will be Something Doing Every Minute—Subscriptions Being Secured

Will the approaching Eastern Carolina Fair grounds be open at night?

This is the question being asked by hundreds of persons and in answer it is safe to say that it will. Unless the plans of the directors and officers of the Fair Association Company go astray, and every effort is being made to prevent this, the midway at the Fair grounds will, every night during the week, be ablaze with light and color and there will be something doing every minute during the night up until 12 o'clock.

In order to provide electric lights for the Fair it has been necessary to raise several hundred dollars. One of the officers has been securing subscriptions for this purpose and he in-

formed a Journal reporter yesterday afternoon that about half of the amount has already been secured.

A little more than three weeks intervene before the Fair begins and during this time wires must be put up between the Fair grounds and the end of the city's electric line. This will take several days and the business men of the city who are interested in the development of the Fair are urged to lend their aid in this matter.

The electric wiring at the Fair ground has already been completed and the only thing left undone is the erection of the above mentioned line. Hundreds of people cannot attend the Fair during the day and it is mainly for the benefit of these that the Fair will be kept open at night.

MARKED RESEMBLANCE CAUSED HER TROUBLE

Woman Arrested In New York Was Not The Society Leader For Whom The Wilmington Authorities Are In Search—Charged With Swindling

New York, Sept. 30.—Held in prison here since Saturday last, charged with being a fugitive from justice, Mrs. Frances Maas today was released after many witnesses had failed to confirm the identification of Mrs. Helen P. Lemessen, of West Philadelphia, that she was the Mrs. Elizabeth Van B. Nichols, wanted in Wilmington, N. C., for an alleged swindling transaction.

Mrs. Lemessen formerly lived in Wilmington, where about three years ago she alleged she had been swindled in a real estate deal by a Mrs. Elizabeth Van B. Nichols, a society woman of that town.

Mrs. Frances Maas who was arrested on Saturday on complaint of Mrs. Helen D. Lemessen, who told the police that the defendant was Mrs. Elizabeth Von Nichols, wanted by the Wilmington, N. C., authorities for embezzling \$3,000 from Mrs. Lemessen, was today discharged by Magistrate House in the Tombs police court. Mrs. Maas had spent two nights in the Tombs when Magistrate House discharged her, he did so with the apologies of the court.

Mrs. Lemessen was positive when she went on the witness stand that Mrs. Maas was the woman wanted in Wilmington, her son was equally positive. Both declared that she had changed some, but that there was no doubt of her identity. When Mrs. Maas said that her hair, almost white was false, she took it down and shook the strands to show that the hair was her own. She was almost overcome with emotion.

Charles Podsonick, a clerk in the office of Alexander Bacon, who was attorney for Mrs. Nichols declared that Mrs. Maas was not the woman wanted. Mrs. Annie Bailey, a handsome woman of distinction, whose home is in Wilmington, N. C., said that she read of the arrest of her old friend Mrs. Nichols and went yesterday to the Tombs to see her. She took with her Mrs. Adelaide Meares, also of Wilmington, who had known Mrs. Nichols for thirty-five years. Both were much surprised when Mrs. Maas was brought out to them. She was not their friend. Mrs. Meares gave similar testimony. Edward Tierney, a clerk of the Hotel Victoria testified that Mrs. Maas had been living at the hotel for the last six years.

The crimes that she was alleged to have committed, it is alleged occurred only a year ago.

Before the Lemessens, mother and son, left the criminal court building, both were served by attorney Rosalsky, for Mrs. Maas with papers in a suit for \$50,000 damage for false imprisonment.

NEW HANOVER COUNTY WANTS TO SELL BEER

Representative Kellum Presented Such a Measure Yesterday to the Legislature—Referred To Committee On Liquor Traffic

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 30.—In the House today Representative Dowd made a minority report from the committee on Constitutional Amendments, favorable for the proposal as to reading the Bible in the public schools. Stewart, of Mecklenburg, made the unfavorable report for the majority.

The correspondence and report of the Special Rate Commission with the railroad companies was ordered spread on the minutes of the House through motion of Representative Justice.

A joint resolution came from the Senate providing for President Wilson to be invited to deliver an address for unveiling the Horne monument to the Confederate Women in Capitol Square, and it was amended, on motion of Mr. Dowd, as to provide for the President to be also invited to deliver an address at the celebration of the 108th anniversary of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence.

Dr. Gordon introduced a bill carrying \$190,000 appropriation for Central

Hospital for the insane, Raleigh, and \$8,000 for the Eastern Hospital for Negroes, at Goldsboro. The appropriation for the Raleigh institution is to erect an additional building for women patients, a home for nurses and a laboratory. Also \$30,000 for maintenance.

Among the bills introduced were: By Sewall, a joint resolution for the investigation of the insurance companies; Ruffin, to incorporate the Laurinburg and Rocky Mount Railroad Company.

Kellum introduced a bill to provide for the sale of beer in New Hanover county. It was referred to the Committee on Liquor Traffic, at the request of Kellum.

The Committee on Rules reported through Doughton a rule that no local bills will be allowed after October 1, except those emanating from the Governor's call.

The Senate passed the bill regulating the wearing of the Army and Navy and State Guard uniform, as amended some days ago, by a vote of 21 to 16.

Miss Suzanne Martin of New York City, will open a dancing school in Stanley Hall about October 15. Miss Martin teaches esthetic, folk and social dancing classes for adults and children.

All theatrical notices and articles pertaining to amusements in any fashion will be found on page two. This amusement page is proving very popular with Journal readers and will be continued indefinitely.

NEGRO FUGITIVE WAS CAUGHT HERE

Local Police Made Two Important Captures Yesterday.

HENDERSON WILLIAMS NABBED

Notorious Negro Escaped Sunday Morning From Lenoir County.

It cannot be said that the members of the New Bern police force are not "on the job" when it comes to a question of apprehending escaped criminals. During the past few months they have picked up a number of fugitives from the law and are at present engaged in a search for several "jail birds" and it is safe to say that if they latter come to this city that their liberty is in jeopardy.

Sunday morning ten prisoners broke away from the Lenoir county chain gang and succeeded in getting clear away. Among these ten men was Henderson Williams, a desperate negro who has committed numerous crimes and who, a few months ago, was sentenced to serve a term of ten years on the Lenoir county roads for burglarizing several stores and homes in this section of the State.

Policeman A. L. Bryan assisted in capturing Williams when he was first placed behind the bars and was in a position to recognize him should he happen to come to New Bern, and, strange to say, that is just what Williams did and yesterday morning was located and placed under arrest by Policemen Bryan and Chief of Police Lupton. When located, Williams was near the Neuse river county bridge and was evidently making preparations to go across to Bridgeton and take the train at that place for Norfolk. However, he is now in the county jail and will, this morning, be taken back to Kinston by Sheriff Taylor who arrived in the city last evening.

Monday afternoon John Lee Hadley, colored, escaped from the Craven county chain gang. The local police were notified a short time later and a watch was kept or the fugitive all during the night. Early yesterday morning Policeman Whitford saw Hadley in the Northern part of the city and at once took him into custody and a short time later he was back at his old job handling a pick and shovel.

Several of the prisoners who escaped from the Lenoir county chain gang are still at large and the local police are keeping a sharp watch for them.

Program at The Athens Today

Jack Amick presents "Amick's Penant Winners" in the original Tabloid Musical Comedy

"The Black Statue." CAST.

Hi Smith, Jack Amick.

His Daughter Kitty, Rita Morez.

Charlie, in love with Kitty, F. Melrose.

Statue, Bobbie Jarvis.

Musical Numbers.

Opening melody, "Society and Two Little Live Bees," "Oh you little Bear,"

"Back to Carolina," "On the Mississippi," "Down Home Rag," "Gee, But the Moon Makes Me Lonesome,"

"Dear Old Girl," "Lou, Lou, Lou," Place, Smith's apartments.

Time, Any time.

Chorus, Indians, Villagers, etc. Emily Withington, Luella Lachaple, Bessie Thorne, Marie Maxine, Edna Rose, Parker Sisters, Lillian Cummins.

Specialities introduced during the action of the play by Robert C. Jarvis and Pell Quartet.

Musical Director, Louis C. Meler. Stage Manager, Frank Melrose.

Props., Clyde Barrett.

PICTURES.

"The Only Way."

Touching Vitagraph, featuring Lillian Walker and Earl Williams.

"The Senator's Repentance." Western drama, Selig.

"A Widow's Wiles," Lubin Comedy.

"Rastus Among the Zulus." The above program is an entire change from yesterday.

Tomorrow we will show Selig's great 2 reel special feature, entitled, "The Law and the Outlaw," a sensational Western romance.

Matinee daily at 3:45. Two shows at night, 1st starts at 7:30, 2d at 9:15. No advance in prices Matinee 5 and 10c., night 5, 10 and 15c.

It's up to you either to take things as they come, or turn your back and let them meander by.

AN EXHIBIT FROM PUBLIC SCHOOLS

School Children Will Have A Part In The Approaching Fair.

PLANS HAVE BEEN MADE

Other Schools Will Also Be Invited To Make An Exhibit.

Among the numerous exhibits which will be seen this year at the Eastern Carolina Fair will be one made by the pupils of the New Bern Graded Schools. Last year the school had an exhibit and it was one of the most extensive and elaborate ever made by a school in North Carolina.

This year it is planned to make the exhibit even better. During the past few weeks Prof. H. B. Craven, the superintendent of the school, has been planning this exhibit and has arranged for an unusually attractive display. The fall term of the schools begins today and several days will elapse before the pupils get down to business, but it will only take two or three weeks to get the exhibit in shape and there is ample time.

There are hundreds of prizes offered for such articles as drawings, needlework painting, etc., and every exhibitor stands an equal chance of winning one or more of these prizes and this is an incentive to the pupils to put forth their best efforts in making the articles for the exhibit, just as creditable as possible.

In addition to the exhibit made by the local school, the directors and officers of the Fair hope to be able to get some other city in Eastern North Carolina to make a similar exhibit. It is only during the past two or three years that exhibits by public school pupils have been made at the Fair in this State, but during this short time they have greatly grown in popularity and are doubtless here to stay.

Pupils who are undecided as to what they should exhibit can find in the premium list of the Eastern Carolina Fair a number of valuable suggestions. These premium lists are obtainable, free of cost, at the office of the Chamber of Commerce.