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A. F. of L. to Urge Cut in Armament

Campaign to Arouse Sentiment in Support of Purpose Underlying International Conference Announced.

To Hold Mass Meetings

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire.

Washington, Sept. 11.—An intensive campaign will be launched by the American Federation of Labor to arouse public opinion throughout the country in support of the purposes underlying the international conference for the limitation of armament.

Announcement to this effect was made at the federation headquarters. Plans of the organization have been carefully prepared, having been under consideration for the past three weeks. It will be the aim of the American Federation of Labor, according to the official announcement, to unite under its leadership the whole American sentiment in favor of limitation of armaments.

The plans announced by the American Federation of Labor are being put into operation by President Samuel Gompers by authority of the executive council, in conformity with the established position of the American Federation of Labor in favor of disarmament, a position taken first by the federation in convention in 1887.

Mass Meetings Planned.

The central labor unions throughout the country are asked to take the lead in each city or community in bringing together the disarmament sentiment in great demonstrations to take the form of parades and mass meetings. The purpose is set forth in the letter from President Gompers to central bodies as "backing up our government in its leadership toward disarmament and giving courage and determination to the American representatives in the international commission."

It is planned to unite all civic bodies, trade union auxiliaries, women's trade union leagues, educational organization, women's clubs and, in fact, all organizations interested in civic affairs and of a progressive character in the great effort.

One of the paramount features of the American Federation of Labor program is an adequate and enthusiastic celebration of armistice day.

Borah Well Pleased.

Senator Borah of Idaho, who led the disarmament fight in congress last spring, issued a statement characterizing the American delegation as "very able" and calling for a mobilization of public opinion to sustain the movement for limitation of armaments.

"It is a very able delegation," said Senator Borah. "It is now up to

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Ak-Sar-Ben Dont's Issued by Police

Chief Dempsey Makes Plans to Protect City Against Criminals During Festival.

Chief of Police Dempsey began last night to make plans to protect the city during the Ak-Sar-Ben week, September 13 to 24.

The week of festivities always brings an influx of the criminal element into Omaha, according to Dempsey.

"They always follow the crowds," said Chief Dempsey, "but as in past years, we are going to take extra precautions."

In connection with these plans, don'ts for citizens were issued as follows:

Don't leave your house without securing all windows and doors.

Don't carry large sums of money or jewelry on your person.

Don't let children go unchaperoned downtown.

Don't cross streets unless at intersections.

Don't drive your car in congested districts unless absolutely necessary.

Don't park your car along the route of any of the parades.

Sergeant James McDonald will be in charge of the police station branch on the Ak-Sar-Ben grounds.

Body of Bluffs Man Found In Weeds at South Omaha

Mystery surrounds the death of an unidentified Council Bluffs man, whose decomposed body was found Sunday afternoon in a patch of weeds near the railroad tracks in South Side, Omaha. The only mark of identification were a ring in his left hand bearing the initials "W. E. S." and the same initials in the band of his hat.

Omaha police notified Bluffs police that the dead man probably came from Council Bluffs, since an Omaha and Council Bluffs street car book, good on intercity lines, was found in his pocket. The book was issued September 4, but the name was not distinguishable.

Four Hundred Officers Arrested in Anti-Red Plot

Stockholm, Sept. 11.—The Tidningen learns that a new anti-soviet plot has been detected in the Baltic fleet and that 400 naval officers have been arrested and taken to Moscow. A plot was also discovered at Kiev, organized under auspices of the Pan-Ukrainian revolutionary committee, and 180 persons were arrested.

The newspaper says that in connection with the dissolution of the Russian relief committee, 150 persons have been arrested at Moscow.

"Follies" Tenor Must Pay Alimony or Go to Jail—Ruling of Judge

Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire.

New York, Sept. 11.—The early morning mail Wednesday will be anxiously awaited by Mrs. Sidonia B. Steel for a $500 check from her husband, John W. Steel, star tenor in the Ziegfield Follies.

If the check is not forthcoming, Mrs. Steel will be granted an order by Supreme Court Justice Lyons committing Steel to membership in the "alimony club" in Ludlow street jail.

Justice Lydon handed down a decision denying Mrs. Steel's motion to find the tenor in contempt of court for failure to pay her $250 a week alimony and $1,250 counsel fees, on condition that Steel makes payment of $500 a week, beginning Wednesday, until the arrears are paid.

Daugherty Will Resign to Make Race for Senate

Attorney General Expected to Announce Plans Soon—Recognized as Leader of Republicans in Ohio.

Washington, Sept. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—Official announcement is expected soon of the decision of Attorney General Daugherty to resign from the cabinet.

It is reported authentically tonight that Mr. Daugherty intends to become a candidate for United States senator from Ohio and expects to leave the cabinet so that he may prepare for the contest for the senatorship, the winning of which would fulfill a long-existing ambition and immediately make him the administration leader in the upper branch of congress.

Two Candidates Appear.

Mr. Daugherty has refrained from making any public statement of his plans, but so confidently is his resignation expected in administration circles that two candidates have appeared in the field for appointment as attorney general, while at least two others are considered as strong possibilities. It has been known for some time that Mr. Daugherty has been urged to enter the race for the senatorship. His friends, feeling that at the elections in 1922, he can duplicate in Ohio what he did for President Harding last November. At that time he reversed overwhelmingly the complexion of the Buckeye state, which three times out of four had gone heavily democratic, but which in 1920 went republican by the unprecedented figure of 400,000.

The desire to have Mr. Daugherty run for the senate is prompted by an unusual political situation in Ohio. In view of the republican landslide last year, the democratic party is preparing to strain every effort to redeem the state next year. All factions of the democrats there seem to be united. The work of organization to a large extent is in the hands of James M. Cox, the democratic presidential nominee at the last election, who realizes that unless his organization can stage a comeback, his chances for the nomination again are worth next to nothing.

Plans of Democrats.

It is the expectation that the democratic ticket will be headed by Senator Atlee Pomerene, as a candidate for re-election, and by George White, chairman of the Democratic National committee, one of the foremost Cox lieutenants, as a candidate for governor.

To offset such a combination the republicans already have been making plans, the conference in Washington having centered at the White House. Mr. Harding is said to realize that his fortune three years from next November may be influenced largely by the way Ohio goes at the next election. It is the understanding that he has discussed with Mr. Daugherty the possibility of his becoming a candidate for the senate, to strengthen the ticket, and that if the attorney general desires to make the race the fullest adminnistration support will be extended.

Those who are regarded as receptive candidates for the post of attorney general are Judge Guy P. Goff of Wisconsin, who is assistant to the attorney general, and William Wilson of Illinois, one time a member of the house, who now is chief of the legal staff of the alien property custodian.

But back of these two are more possibilities. George Sutherland of Utah, and Wade H. Ellis of Ohio. Both are close personal friends of President Harding and both were in the consideration at the time of the making of the cabinet.

Alleged Omaha Forger Is Arrested at Newcastle

Cheyenne, Wyo., Sept. 11.—Deputy United States Marshal Tom C. Davis returned to Cheyenne with a man giving the name of George W. Pittenger, said to be wanted in Omaha in connection with a charge of forging a postoffice money order. Pittenger was arrested at Newcastle and will be taken to Omaha.

Woman Seeks Prowler With Unloaded Gun

Prowlers at 1614 Evans street caused police to make a hurried call to that neighborhood Saturday night.

On arriving they found the woman of the house on the front porch armed with a revolver and searching for her disturber.

Questioned as to the serviceability of the gun she admitted that it was not loaded.

"I forgot and left the shells on the kitchen table," she told police.

War-Navy Department Is Planned

Joint Committee at Work on Bill to Consolidate Country's Forces for Making War.

Would Cut Cabinet

By E. C. SNYDER.
Washington Correspondent of The Bee.

Washington, Sept. 11.—(Special.)—Representative Reavis, chairman of the house section of the joint congressional committee charged with the responsibility of formulating legislation looking to the amalgamation of certain departments of the government and bureaus, in the interest of economy and to stop overlapping, has made a close study of the subject during the past year. In fact the amalgamation of some of the departments has became a hobby with the Falls City congressman and he is looked upon as being pre-eminently equipped with a vast amount of first hand information as to the criminal waste that is going on in some of the bureaus of the departments.

Statement by Reavis.

Elaborating the interview given this correspondent earlier in the week, wherein he stated that the joint congressional committee had decided to recommend to congress the amalgamation of the Navy and War departments, Mr. Reavis said today:

"The committee will request legislation consolidating the Army and Navy departments in what will be known as a department of national defense, with a secretary, and under-secretary of the navy and an under-secretary of war. I personally am seeking to incorporate a further bureau in this department headed by an under-secretary for aeronautics into which will go the aviation activities, now in the Department of Commerce, Treasury, Postoffice, Navy and War departments.

Spending Departments.

"As at present constituted, each of these aviation activities has its own trainers, separate flying fields and separate personnel, most of which could be eliminated by this consolidation. The place to save money is where the money is spent and the Navy and War departments are the spending departments of the government.

"This consolidation will enable us to standardize all small arms and ammunition. As it is now, neither department can use the guns or ammunition of the other. Then too, we will standardize the ration. When it is known that the naval ration has 37 per cent more in it than the army ration, the necessity for this standardization becomes obvious, especially in view of the fact that the rations for the army and navy run into

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Baby Auto Victim Battles Death

Crossing Street to Join Playmates May Be Fatal to Child of Widow.

This is a story of Blanchie Cooper, just 3 years old. She's in the St. Joseph hospital now, putting up a game fight for her life against big odds.

Blanchie was standing with her mother at Eighteenth and Webster streets Saturday night when she saw some of her playmates across the street.

She broke away from her mother and began a dash across the street.

There was a sudden shriek, a cry and a grinding of automobile breaks.

Blanchie had run into the path of an automobile driven by Mrs. B. W. Hartley, 1609 Laird street.

Police surgeons who were rushed to the scene say the little girl has a possible fracture of the skull and serious body bruises.

Blanchie's mother, Mrs. Stella Cooper, a widow, is prostrated with grief at her home, 714 North Eighteenth street.

Mrs. Hartley, almost hysterical as a result of the tragedy, was taken to the police station, where she was released on her own recognizance.

President and Party Reach Atlantic City

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 11.—President Harding and party arrived here at 12:30 o'clock this morning for a stay of several days. The president and Mrs. Harding motored here from Washington, leaving the capital at 2 p. m. with a two-hour stop at Philadelphia for dinner.

Omahan Will Be Speaker At Red Cross Convention

Capt. G. R. G. Fisher, in charge of accident prevention and first-aid of the Omaha chapter, will be one of the speakers on the program at the national convention of the American Red Cross in Columbus, O., October 4 to 8.

Captain Fisher will speak October 6 on the subject, "How the Omaha Chapter Organized for Promotion of First Aid."

Two Killed in Wreck

Stamford, Conn., Sept. 10—Two persons were killed, three seriously hurt, and many others slightly injured in an accident to a car in the Rubin & Chain carnival train over the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad at Norton this afternoon.

Auburn Dog Starts Motor in Automobile

Pawnee City, Neb., Sept. 11.—(Special.)—Here's a new one.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Blaunt, farmers living near Auburn, were slumbering away in the wee small hours of the night when Mrs. Blaunt was awakened by the noise of an engine running in a nearby garage. Thinking that burglars were at work, she awakened her husband. He got up and proceeded to the garage, only to find the only door securely padlocked on the outside.

But the car was humming away inside.

He went in and found his big collie dog in the front seat. Having been shut up with the car, the dog had jumped into the front seat and stepped on the starter, starting the engine.

Mr. Blaunt says that the dog now wants to drive the car alone.

Casualty List in Lone Star Flood Advances to 47

Rescue Workers Estimate Killed as High as 300—Property Loss Placed At $5,000,000.

San Antonio, Tex., Sept. 11.—The list of known dead from Saturday's flood had advanced to 47 late today. The dead and missing were estimated at approximately 250 by rescue workers, while Police Commissioner Phil Wright said they might total 300. Many residents, however, consider these figures high.

The property loss was placed at $5,000,000 by some business men, but both lower and higher estimates were made.

Soon after daylight searchers on the Alazan creek found three bodies in the driftwood and wreckage on the banks and another was found near the San Antonio river. Other bodies were recovered. While it has been declared that possibly the majority of the estimated dead floated down the streams, searchers believe that as the wreckage is cleared away others will be found.

Hundreds Homeless.

Rescuers confined their efforts principally to recovering bodies, work of rescuing the marooned having been completed yesterday.

Rescue and relief work continued all last night and today. Hundreds of Mexicans and the poorer people who lived along the Alazan, are homeless and were given assistance by relief headquarters established downtown.

The fact that most of the bodies recovered have been fully clothed shows that the victims were either warned or heard the approaching rush of water in time to make preparations to leave.

The city proper has been in a crippled condition all day from the flood. There have been no lights nor street car service because of lack of electric power.

Flood Worst in History.

Reports trickling in from outlying sections tend to confirm the fear that the flood is the worst in the city's history. Streets adjacent to the three streams, in some instances were swept clean almost their entire length. Houses in the southern portion of the city were piled one upon another or driven through adjoining buildings. Dead animals line the streams.

The flood waters from the San Antonio river and from Alazan creek and small tributaries inundated an area approximately two miles long by one-half mile wide, including the heart of the business section and a portion of the residence section along River avenue and adjacent streets, as well as the thickly populated West Side, where thousands of Mexicans are homeless and the dead uncounted.

The water rose almost to the second floor in the Gunter hotel. Such structures as the Brady building, Wolff and Marx department store, Stowers, St. Marys church and school buildings, the St. Anthony hotel, the Elks club, several hospitals, the Central Telephone exchange, the city hall and police and fire department headquarters and countless other structures were in the path of the flood.

Bodies Mangled.

Large houses were swept about on the flood's crest as though they were paper. Some were swept along until they encountered trees or oth-

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An Heir at Large

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CHAPTER I.

Young Henry Livingston Bacon sat hunched up in a deep chair dazed by the change in his fortunes.

Yesterday he wondered where he was to get the money to pay his room rent. Today he could buy the whole apartment house, grounds and furnishings, together with all the neighboring property for a couple of blocks in both directions.

It was incredible.

As though reconstructing an elusive dream, he recalled the even tones of the lawyer whose office he had so recently left.

"You have received the entire fortune of your late uncle. At his death the principal and interest became yours by virtue of a trust agreement between the settlor and the trustees made nearly four years ago. After transferring the estate to you he retained the income during his lifetime.

"Aside from half a dozen of his closest business associates, no one knew the extent of your uncle's operations or the magnitude of his fortune. He was very secretive."

Bacon remembered how he had been struck by the word "magnitude." It was unexpectedly impressive.

"Having disposed of his fortune by trust agreement before his death he has circumvented the inheritance tax, for there is no will to be probated, and the size of the estate does not become public. In recent years the property has been converted almost wholly into tax exempt securities, which by reason of an old decision—the McCulloch against Maryland decision—are not taxable by the Federal Government.

"You will be interested, I'm sure, in hearing that, after the payment of all taxes, claims and debts, the fortune you inherit will reach very close to——"

The lawyer paused here to note the effect. He then added evenly:

"Fifteen million dollars." He allowed himself the shadow of a smile. "It ought to be enough to keep the wolf from the door."

Fifteen millions! Instead of keeping the wolf from the door it would probably draw many to it.

Young Bacon never dreamed that his uncle, living in hermitlike seclusion, was so rich—far less than he might some day be his heir. In fact, he supposed himself to be in disfavor.

In college, and later in his regiment, he had won the honor of being the best amateur boxer in the 160-pound class, a distinction which could hardly have appealed to his cold, reserved uncle.

So certain was he of his uncle's disapproval that he had not appealed to him for help when he started to work nearly three years before. He had plugged along to his present position, paying $2,500 a year, without benefit of pull. During those three years he had seen little of his uncle, but evidently an appraising eye had been upon him.

"This—this fortune," he finally regained composure enough to ask, "is it to remain in the hands of the trustees?"

"Your uncle seems to have had faith in your judgment and character," the lawyer answered. "He did not tie up his estate with conditions. There are no strings leading from the grave. You are at liberty to squander every cent and ruin yourself so far as he is concerned. Of course, we all hope you will be sensible and rise to the responsibilities which such a fortune entails. Don't let it poil you, as inherited money has spoiled so many other young men."

"You mean," said Bacon in a faint voice, "you mean that it is mine now, that I can get money now?"

"Certainly. There is a considerable sum in the bank at this moment that has not been reinvested yet."

Together they walked to the bank, where the young man was introduced and his signature deposited. A check book, visible evidence that he was not dreaming, was now in his pocket.

As the lawyer bade him good-bye he asked in a kindly tone if there was anything more he could do.

"There is only one thing," Bacon had answered, a vague idea rising in the back of his mind. "Can all this be kept secret for some time—perhaps a few weeks, or months? Is that possible?"

"Certainly. No one need know except ourselves and the bank. You will not be obliged to file an income tax return for several months."

And now—back in his room, gazing at the check book with its limitless possibilities, his thoughts turned to Miss Muriel Lannard.

Would she still refuse him, he wondered.

Judge Recalled To Face Charge Of "Despotism"

United States Court Official In China Accused of Abitrary Procedure in Contempt Case.

By E. C. SNYDER.
Washington Correspondent Omaha Bee.

Washington, Sept. 11.—(Special.)—Charles S. Lobinger of Nebraska, judge of the United States court for China, is in Washington for the purpose of answering certain ugly charges filed against him by W. S. Fleming, attorney, Shanghai.

President Harding, at the instance of the Department of State, transferred the charges to the Department of Justice for investigation.

Editorials from the Peking and Tientsen News, and the China Advertiser charge Judge Lobinger with being a despot, "combining the roles of accused and accuser with absolute unfettered judicial power," in view of having sentenced Mr. Fleming to six months' imprisonment for contempt of court, because of an affidavit Fleming filed charging a member of Judge Lobinger's law firm with embezzlement.

Judge Lobinger has been granted permission by the State department to come to Washington to defend the charges made against him. Mr. Fleming, Lobinger's accuser, is also in the capital ready to back up his accusations.

Son-in-Law of Ex-President Dies in Richmond Hospital

Richmond, Va., Sept. 10.—Major William Munford Ellis, 75, son-in-law of John Tyler, 10th president of the United States, died in a hospital here today. Major Ellis married Miss Pearl Tyler, youngest daughter of President Tyler. His widow and eight children survive him.

Loving Costly for Convict

Prisoner From Omaha Visits Lady Fair and in Consequence Must Spend Four Extra Years in State Penitentiary.

Lincoln, Sept. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—For three hours' loving and cooing, E. C. Clayton, Omaha convict, was willing to spend four extra years in the state penitentiary. At least, he was in that frame of mind last night. Today, on a diet of bread and water in an isolation cell, the sweet lips of his lady fair and her caresses seem nothing to one good square meal.

Here is what happened.

At 1 this morning Gus Hyers, state sheriff, was called from warm blankets by guards at the state road camp at Eagle, Neb.

"Convict escaped tonight," he was told.

Hyers, his son, Bud, N. T. Harmon, probation officer, George Kosler, state fish and game warden, and others dressed for summer and armed for bear jaunted at the rate of 60 miles an hour to Eagle in the first chilling breezes of fall.

At the camp they were informed the prisoner, E. C. Clayton, had returned.

'Had a stomachache and was just out in the yard," Clayton said.

"A woman," hissed another convict, rather jealous, so officers say.

Investigation of neighboring houses revealed, so Harmon said today, that Clayton visited a buxom farm lassie for a few hours. The lassie confessed, Harmon stated. The father knew nothing of the visitor, Harmon declared, but the mother was cognizant of it.

"Got acquainted while he was working on the road," Harmon said.

"—— the women," chattered the cold officers as they returned in the morning air with Clayton.

"Amen," Clayton is quoted as saying, over his bowl of bread and water tonight.

Clayton probably would have been paroled in a few months, Harmon stated today.

"It means a year or two more now," Harmon said.

Clayton, acoording to Harmon with two other men, was sentenced to from three to 15 years for robbing a coal office in Omaha

Army Bombing Airplanes Swoop Down on Omaha

No Casualties Reported From Attack by Fort Sill Squadron Flying in Battle Formation.

A squadron of army-bombing airplanes in battle formation made an air attack on Omaha yesterday afternoon.

No casualties were reported.

Flying comparatively low, four planes from Fort Crook circled majestically in even formation as the observers spotted tall buildings in the business section as objectives for bombs. Like huge hawks careening in the asmosphere, the planes swooped down over the city.

No Alarm Shown.

Residents failed to flee to bombproof caves and pedestrians just peered at the formation as if studying the altitude, for the flight was a sham attack.

The four planes were part of the 15 army ships that flew to Fort Crook Friday from Fort Sill, Okl. The squadron flew over Omaha in a sham attack for a test flight.

Omahan at Head of Squadron.

Maj. Thomas G. Lamphier, former Omaha boy and graduate of Creighton university, headed the squadron. Lieut. Wendall Brookley, Capt. C. E. Giffin and Maj. J. W. Jones were piloting the other planes. After circling over the city, the planes returned to Fort Crook.

Fifteen planes that arrived from Fort Sill will hop off Fort Crook field this morning beginning at 8, according to Maj. I. A. Rader, in charge of the aviation section of the Seventh army corps area.

Minister Criticises Attitude of Movie Stars Toward Life

Criticising the attitude of the movie stars toward life, as shown in the recent party given by Fatty Arbuckle, Rev. Arthur Atack told his congregation at the Hanscom Park Methodist church that life cannot be spelled as "Pleasure," "Fame," "Business" or "Culture."

"There are a good many people in Omaha who spell life 'Business,'" the pastor declared. Business will never satisfy a man's heart, according to Dr. Atack.

"Fame is really a hollow thing—a joke. Even William Jennings Bryan was not recognized at Zion City when he passed through there recently."

Much of the so-called "culture" is a false and dangerous thing, said Mr. Atack. Time is wasted on it by many Omaha women.

"The real spelling of life is 'Service.' Paul said, 'Life is Christ.'"

Attorneys to Ask Release Of Mrs. Obenchain on Bail

Los Angeles, Sept. 11.—The superior court and district attorney's office were formally notified that attorneys for Mrs. Madalynne Obenchain, jointly indicted with Arthur C. Burch for the alleged murder of J. Belton Kennedy, insurance broker, will seek to have her released on bail, pending her trial, November 1.

Omahan Victim Of Train Bandit At Parkville, Mo.

Western Union Inspector One Of Four Men With Hands Up When Conductor Trapped Robber.

J. F. Blagg, equipment inspector for the Western Union with headquarters in Omaha, was one of the victims of the lone bandit who was captured in an attempt to hold up a Burlington train at Parkville, Mo., Saturday night.

The Omaha man was one of four men who were holding their hands high in the air when W. H. McGee, conductor, rescued them and brought about the bandit's capture

When the train stopped, Blagg, curious, walked forward in the train to learn what was happening.

As he neared the door of the smoking compartment of his car he saw the bandit with the revolver. He didn't know what to do. Resistance didn't occur to him.

Obeys Bandit's Order.

"You get in there, too," directed the bandit, "and get 'em up."

Blagg backed into the smoking compartment. He sat down, his hands still up.

The bandit held the revolver steadily while he ordered a brakeman to take his hat and collect.

Blagg watched curiously. It was the first time he ever had been held up. This bandit had no mask. He wore a hat and no coat. The bandit's left hand was moving and Blagg looked on with interest.

The bandit reached into his coat pocket and withdrew a package of cigarets. He flipped one out of the package and put it between his lips. Slowly he replaced the package and withdrew his hand. Then he calmly lighted it.

Robber Trapped.

But a few moments later the bandit lost his nonchalance. McGee, the conductor, with a passenger suddenly appeared and trapped him, the conductor covering him with a gun, which he had obtained from a passenger in another car.

F. R. Yost, a Burlington brakeman, on his way to Omaha, was tied hand and foot by Fred Wilkinson, fellow brakeman, at the bandit's command.

A. V. Brown, 108 Peking avenue, Lincoln, donated $3 to the bandit before the latter was captured.

Negro Pleads Guilty to Killing Man on Street

North Platte, Neb., Sept. 11.—(Special.)—At a preliminary hearing Sam Simmons, negro, pleaded guilty to shooting and killing William Foster, negro, on the streets of this city Wednesday. Simmons will be tried at the December term of district court.

The Weather

Forecast.

Monday unsettled; continued cool.

Hourly Temperatures.

5 a. m.	53	1 p. m.	62
6 a. m.	53	2 p. m.	62
7 a. m.	54	3 p. m.	64
8 a. m.	54	4 p. m.	64
9 a. m.	53	5 p. m.	65
10 a. m.	54	6 p. m.	64
11 a. m.	56	7 p. m.	61
12 noon	60		

Arbuckle Booked As Murderer

Film Star Held in Frisco Jail Following Death of Actress; To Be Arraigned Today.

No Comment by "Fatty"

By The Associated Press.

San Francisco, Sept. 11.—Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle, screen actor, will be formally charged in police court tomorrow with the murder of Miss Virginia Rappe, motion picture actress, Captain of Dectives Duncan Mathewson, said today.

Arbuckle was booked on the murder charge by the police last night, and has since been held in jail. He refused to make any statement or comment.

Under the California penal code no bail is allowable to a person charged with murder and Captain Mathewson expressed the opinion the court will hold Arbuckle for the action of the county grand jury. If District Attorney Matthew Brady returns to the city in time, the case is expected to be presented to the grand jury tomorrow night, according to Mathewson. An inquest will be held Thursday.

Taken From Arbuckle's Room.

Miss Rappe, who died Friday, was removed from Arbuckle's rooms in a hotel last Monday in a critical condition after a party at which five men and four women were present. Autopsy surgeons said death was due to peritonitis, superinduced by an internal injury.

Assistant District Attorney Milton U'Ren said that the charge of murder was based on a section of the penal code directing that such charge be made in cases where death resulted from a felony—in this instance, actual or attempted assault.

By Universal Service.

San Francisco, Sept. 11.—Rigid investigation by the police, the grand jury and the coroner was begun yesterday into all the circumstances surrounding the death of beautiful Virginia Rappe, the movie actress, following the wild drinking party given by Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle at the St. Francis hotel last Monday.

While Arbuckle, accompanied by Frank Dominguez, his attorney, was hurrying to San Francisco to face police inquiry, District Attorney Brady and Coroner Leland, as well as officials of the grand jury, issued orders that will insure a full probe of all that occurred when Virginia Rappe, according to statements already made by witnesses, was locked for more than an hour in Arbuckle's room, later to be found delirious and with her clothes torn to shreds.

Contradictory Statement.

The investigation is being made all the more rigid because of the contradictory statement now being made by Mrs. B. M. Delmonte, one of the guests at Arbuckle's party, who in one breath has declared that Miss Rappe was dragged by Arbuckle into his room, and that she was heard to struggle with him and to scream, and who in the next breath, declares that the assertions which she made on Friday night have been misquoted.

Mrs. Delmonte, under care of physicians at the St. Francis hotel yesterday, was reported to be in an exhausted condition and the police were awaiting a favorable moment to take from her a complete statement of what had occurred.

The first assertion made by Mrs. Delmonte, to the effect that Virginia Rappe had forcibly been taken by Arbuckle into his room, and that he had abused her, is corroborated by the story told by Alice Blake, a show girl, who was one of the members of the party.

Witnesses Rounded Up.

Yesterday afternoon Detectives Griffith, Henry McGrath, John Dolan and Thomas Regan, detailed to the investigation of the case, had rounded up many of those who had been in the party given by Arbuckle and had begun their interrogation in the office of Captain of Detectives Mason. The first to be examined was Ira G. Fordlouis, who resides at the Palace hotel, and who is said to have arranged the details of the "party." Miss Jamieson, a nurse who attended Miss Rappe at the Wakefield sanitarium just before her death, also was examined, following her statement made earlier in the day that Virginia Rappe's last words were: "Call Koscoe."

The police announced that it was their intention to thoroughly question Mrs. Delmonte and Miss Alice Blake, as well as Miss Zey Pevron, who were among those in the party. They also declared that Arbuckle would be put on the grill as soon as he reached San Francisco, together with Fred Fishbeck and L. Shouman, who were Arbuckle's companions at the St. Francis hotel. Others whom the police were preparing to interrogate were Al Siminacher, Miss Rappe's manager, who was reported to have returned to Los Angeles following the girl's death.

Look for Siminacher.

The Los Angeles police were notified by Acting Captain of Detectives Griffin to get hold of Siminacher at once. He is wanted to explain, if he knows, what became of Miss Rappe's clothing, which disappeared from Arbuckle's room almost immediately after the girl's collapse, and which was declared by Mrs. Delmonte and Miss Blake to have been torn to shreds.

The police chiefly are interested in the statements which have been made by Mrs. Delmonte and Alice Blake. The former has declared that in all there were five men and four girls in Arbuckle's apartments at the St. Francis last Monday afternoon and that all were drinking freely. She has stated that Arbuckle showed the effects of drink and that

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