

GIRL SAYS MOST STAND TRIAL

Trotzky's Fate Hangs in Balance

Central Committee of Communist Party Gathers at Moscow to Discuss War Minister.

Vote of Censure Looms

Moscow, Jan. 17.—The fate of Leon Trotzky, soviet minister of war, is expected to be decided within a few days by the central committee of the communist party which began its sittings in Moscow today.

There is much speculation as to whether Trotzky himself, although a member of the central committee, will participate in the sessions. He is considered by every one as out of active politics and unless he intends to appear in his own defense, or is invited by his adversaries to do so, his presence at the sittings of the committee is scarcely expected.

In the face of the bitter and unprecedented campaign against him, in and out of the communist party and the communist international, it is believed it would be futile for him to attempt to allay the storm which has all but engulfed him.

To Maintain Silence.

Political observers believe that nothing short of unequivocal retraction of the views expressed by the minister in his book "Lessons of the 1917 Revolution," followed by his promise to abstain in the future from factional discussions, will satisfy his opponents. As Trotzky is hardly ready at this moment to adopt either of these alternatives, it is thought he will seek refuge in complete silence, awaiting the settlement of the present political ferment to speak his mind.

There is, however, not the slightest doubt that, whether the war minister is present at the meetings of the committee or not a resolution of censure will be passed against him.

Meanwhile, the military leader has returned to a rural estate at Archangelskoye, 25 miles from Moscow. This estate, which prior to the revolution, belonged to Prince Youssouffoff, is noted for its splendid scenery and salubrious climate. It now serves as a place of rest for tired members of the government.

Continues Writing.

In this quiet spot in the midst of soothing natural surroundings far removed from political strife and party squabbles, Trotzky is now nursing his bronchial trouble and at the same time engaging in fresh literary work.

It is problematical whether he will go to the Caucasus health resort as originally planned, even after the meeting of the central committee which is expected to decide his future.

It is believed that a formal vote of censure by the committee, which frames the internal and external policies of the soviet government, will be accepted by the war chief's adversaries as sufficient punishment for the alleged heretical views expressed by him in his recent book and within the councils of the communist party.

QUERY IN DEATH OF CHILD HEIR

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 17.—Examination of the vital organs of Roy Hauschild, 2-year-old son of Arthur Hauschild, was being made today under the direction of the county coroner and county attorney to determine if poison had caused the child's death. The boy died Tuesday.

The child was heir to property valued at approximately \$15,000, left in trust for him by his mother, who died in October, 1923. Since that time the boy's father remarried.

Summary of the Day in Washington

Debate on Isle of Pines treaty was continued in the senate.

President Coolidge addressed the American society of newspaper editors.

Commerce department figures showed taxation in 1924 totaled \$6,349,120,000.

The house voted to extend the life of the American debt commission for two years.

The senate finally passed and sent to the president the \$150,000,000 urgent deficiency bill.

The senate judiciary committee deferred action on the nomination of Attorney General Stone for the supreme court.

Senator Shipstead, farmer-laborer, Minnesota, gave notice, he would seek consideration of the world court proposal at this session.

Appointing of conferees by the house on the Muscle Shoals bill was deferred at the instance of Representative Longworth, republican, leader.

Prohibition

Five Years Old; Success or Failure?

Today is "Prohibition Sunday," commemorating the fifth anniversary of the adoption of national prohibition. Opinions differ widely regarding the wisdom of the prohibition act and the efficacy of its enforcement as shown by the following quotations:

Mayor J. C. Dahlman: I feel today as I have always felt on this subject and that is that I am opposed to laws of this kind. I don't believe that prohibition has accomplished anything except to increase drinking and crime.

Mrs. Halleck F. Rose: Statistics have proven prohibition a success but the very fact that prohibition came when it did has made its success a problem. We now have all the post-war evils coupled with the prohibition question. We find a wave of lawbreakers wherever there is any distinct national movement. Those who are not law-abiding citizens then come to the fore.

Charles E. Foster: When we stop to consider that the human race has been accustomed to using alcoholic drinks for centuries, the strides which have been made during the last five years have been remarkable.

Mrs. Morton Violet, former head of the House of Representatives, said she felt that America is in better financial condition than any other country. Statistics show that the prohibition department of the government is more than paying for itself. Some will always break the laws but I feel that conditions are better.

Tom Dennison: It's an absolute farce. That's all.

Mrs. Ida Levin: Prohibition is not a success. From all reports I get throughout the city and state through welfare work, I do not think it a success. People always want that which is forbidden.

W. H. Cole, member of the council of the National Reform league: No, I do not think prohibition a success. In the first place, I think law enforcement appointees should be under civil service and this means examination before the appointment not afterward.

In some cases in the country exhortations have been given to prohibition officers. Prohibition has not proven what those who are most ardent workers had hoped it to be. The families are partially to blame, they fail to co-operate.

Thomas B. Murray: We are passing through an era of resentment against the prohibitory amendment, but I believe we have passed over the apex and that enforcement will grow better and better every day. Enforcement has not been what some believed it would during the first five years, but that is no argument against the law. I am for the law and it will be improved in time in a way that will impress everybody.

Dr. W. F. Califfs: The prohibitory amendment is a step in the right direction. We have a long way to go before we get what we desire. There is considerable opposition to the law, but much has been accomplished and more will be done as the years go by.

Joseph Lovely: My candid opinion is that the law is a failure so far as enforcement goes, and I believe that the law is being enforced in Omaha as strictly as in any city of the country. But they are making it and selling it.

Harry Hough: Prohibition is all right in its place—but where is its place?

Charles Trimble: I truthfully can't say it has been a success. It's a failure as far as an administration.

Clarke G. Powell: I haven't had the time to even think about prohibition. I'm too busy.

Robert P. Morsman: I'm not affected on the proposition—one way or another.

5 FREIGHT CARS THROWN IN DITCH

Falls City, Neb., Jan. 17.—The Missouri Pacific railway, south of here, was blocked Friday by derailment of a freight train. The accident occurred on a grade south of Atchison, the train breaking in two at a coupling and the parts running together with great force. Five loaded cars were thrown into the ditch and one empty car was knocked off the rails and turned crossways on the track. The main track was blocked for several hours.

HIGH CHURCHMAN DIES IN HOSPITAL

New York, Jan. 17.—Canon William H. Bliss of Seattle, Wash., who has been critically ill in St. Luke hospital here, died early tonight of heart failure.

Canon Bliss had been in the hospital since December 21, when he returned from Europe on the Leviathan. He attended the opium conference at Geneva, Switzerland, as an unofficial observer.

Face Burned by Torch. Bridgeport, Neb., Jan. 17.—While attempting to blow out the front of some cement work on a farm near Mitchell, Arthur Ross sustained a badly burned face and may lose the sight of his remaining eye, one having been destroyed while engaged in government work. The accident occurred when the torch he was using to blow off the frost exploded and filled his face full of powder.

Boy Pushed Into Path of Car May Die

Still Unconscious After Being Run Down on Bridge at Twenty-Fourth and Hickory.

Skull Is Fractured

Matthew Heck, 7, 1463 Elm street, was probably fatally injured when he was struck by an automobile on the bridge at Twenty-fourth and Hickory streets Saturday afternoon.

He was taken to Lord Lister hospital, where it was found that his skull was fractured and that he had suffered internal injuries. Physicians hold little hope for his life.

Scuffling on Sidewalk. The boy was playing and scuffling with a group of other boys, most of them older than himself, on the sidewalk of the bridge. One of them pushed him, and he stepped off the bridge into the path of a car driven by A. J. Sailer, 2125 North Twenty-eighth street.

Sailer did not have time to stop. His machine struck the boy before he could dodge, and threw him against a post in the bridge railing.

Sailer picked up the lad, who was unconscious, and put him, with his companions, in his car. He took them to a drug store at Twenty-fourth street and Poppleton avenue, where he called police and attempted to give first aid.

Still Unconscious. Police took the boy to Lord Lister hospital, but he was still unconscious an hour later.

Sailer was booked on a technical charge of reckless driving.

The boys who were playing with the Heck lad when he was struck were his brother, Joseph, 11; Harry Thiler, 12, Nineteenth and Dorcas streets; John, 11, and Alfred Holzapple, Twenty-first and Bancroft streets.

ACTION DELAYED ON SHOALS BILL

Washington, Jan. 17.—Reference of the Underwood Muscle Shoals bill to conference was presented today in the house by an objection raised by Representative Longworth, Ohio, the republican leader, who held it should be left for a few days on the speaker's table.

The republican leader said he hoped action, probably reference of the bill to conference, could be taken next week. Meanwhile an effort will be made to reach an agreement with senate leaders as to what action should be taken on the bill.

ISLE OF PINES TO CUBA, URGE

Washington, Jan. 17.—Charging a "powerful lobby of financial interests" have blocked ratification of the Isle of Pines treaty for 20 years, Senator McCormick, republican of Illinois, today urged the senate cede the island to Cuba.

FLAMES DESTROY BRIDGEPORT HOME

Bridgeport, Neb., Jan. 17.—Fire of unknown origin completely destroyed the home of Jay Oliver of Homingford, and the family narrowly escaped with their lives. The fire was discovered by Chris Hansen, who found the entire building in flames. The loss is estimated at \$5,000, only partly covered by insurance.

Eye Is Removed. Bridgeport, Neb., Jan. 17.—Carl Hell of Bayard submitted to a surgical operation for removal of his left eye at a hospital in Denver. He had suffered for months with an abscess of the eye, and removal of the member seemed to be the only way to save the sight of his other eye, which was becoming affected.

Assessor Takes Office. Missouri Valley, Ia., Jan. 17.—E. C. Shafer, who was appointed city assessor in the place of L. L. Goodrich, who recently resigned, has taken office. In addition to assessing, he will take the census and appraise real estate.

Nebraska Woman Dies. Bridgeport, Neb., Jan. 17.—Mrs. Emma Jane Tate, 67, a resident of Bayard for many years, died at her home in Porta Costa, Cal. The body was brought here for burial beside that of her husband.

Roy Haynes, Dry Director, May Resign

President Coolidge Said to Be Dissatisfied With Conduct of Enforcement Bureau.

Plan Thorough Shakeup

By International News Service. Washington, Jan. 17.—Prohibition Commissioner Roy A. Haynes, who has been director of enforcement activities since the advent of the Harding administration, probably will resign his post before March 4, it was learned tonight.

This development came on the heels of yesterday's announcement from the White House that President Coolidge is not satisfied with the present enforcement situation, and plans a thorough shake-up of the bureau.

Commissioner Haynes himself gave evasive answers tonight in reply to direct questions as to whether he intended resigning. His friends, however, asserted he would retire in the face of what was evidently a desire on the part of the White House that he do so.

It is expected here that the Anti-Saloon league will lodge vigorous protests against Haynes being relieved of his duties. Haynes has always had the confidence of the league's officers, and has frequently consulted them about enforcement matters.

President Coolidge is said to have been moved to institute a change in the bureau because of the disclosures before the Couzens committee of the senate that thousands of gallons of alcohol are regularly finding their way into illicit channels while big industries which require industrial alcohol in their business have experienced difficulties in getting sufficient quantities to operate. The president is understood to consider that the bureau has spent too much time on "hip toters" and casual violators and not enough in detecting "big time" in the bootlegging business.

Commissioner Haynes will not resign, his friends said tonight, until the Couzens committee completes its work, for to do so would, it was said, give an effect of his retirement "under fire." Such a situation, it was said, might militate against the commissioner's political aspirations which include the governorship of Ohio.

The two men are representatives of the National Cash Register company. They were returning home from the south part of the city, driving north on Twentieth street. As they approached the viaduct the bright lights of a southbound automobile blinded them, Magnuson said.

The car hit the pillar with great force and spun around, throwing Kimerova through the windshield and Magnuson for a distance of seven feet. It was demolished.

Kimerova, who was en route from Brooklyn to the west coast on a trip entailing company business, was taken to Lord Lister hospital. Magnuson was given medical attention at central police station and booked for reckless driving.

Joe Kennedy, 624 South Twentieth street, and Sam Simmons, 1809 Williams street, witnessed the accident. The wrecked automobile was taken to the Davenport garage.

PUBLICATION OF TARIFF DUE SOON

The tariff on increased freight rates between Chicago, St. Louis, Peoria, the Twin Cities and Duluth to Missouri river territory will be published by the railroads in 30 days. A meeting of traffic officials was held in Chicago, January 9, protesting against the scheduled increase of rates. The meeting was presided over by C. E. Childs, traffic manager of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce.

At the Chicago meeting the traffic officials adopted a resolution asking the president of the western trunk line railroads to instruct their traffic heads to withdraw the tariff and enter into the co-operative arrangements sought by the shippers. No reply has been received by the traffic men as yet.

NEW FRENCH ENVOY SAILS FOR POST

Paris, Jan. 17.—Emile Daeschner, new French ambassador to the United States, accompanied by Madame Daeschner and their daughter, left Paris for Havre and is sailing today for New York. The ambassador goes to his new post with complete instructions concerning the war debts matter and also on other important questions between the two countries.

FOG IN CHICAGO DELAYS AIR MAIL

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Byron Man Awakens to Find Bedroom on Fire

Byron, Neb., Jan. 17.—L. E. Westfall was awakened by smoke and fire in his bedroom this morning and jumped out of bed to find the room in flames. The fire started from an oil stove which he had been lighting a short time before. A pair of house slippers near the bed were on fire when Westfall went to put them on, and he was badly burned on the bare feet and legs when he stepped into them. Damage to the house was not serious.

City Hall Burns. Wymore, Neb., Jan. 17.—It is reported here that a serious fire in the business section of Westmoreland, Kan., 44 miles south of here Wednesday, destroyed a flour mill, the city hall, an auto garage, and some small frame storage buildings. The estimated loss was \$10,000. The fire started from a stove in the mill, it was said, and the water pressure in the town was so low that the flames could not be combated successfully.

Mexican Volcano in Eruption



Mount Popocatepetl, in Mexico, is in a surly mood. Its crater lake, 1,000 feet deep, is in eruption, and huge columns of heavy lava-laden smoke is being poured over the surrounding country. Popocatepetl is 17,500 feet high. It has not been in a serious eruption since 1540.

Salesmen Hurt When Their Car Runs Into Pillar

Driver Charged With Reckless Driving After Injuries Are Treated.

Jerry Kimerova of Brooklyn was knocked unconscious, and J. A. Magnuson of 411 North Forty-ninth street, was severely cut when their automobile, driven by Magnuson, crashed into the middle pillar of the viaduct at Twentieth and Hickory streets at about 1:50 Saturday evening.

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GRAND DUKE AND DUCHESS ARRIVE

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DANIEL G. REID, FINANCIER, DIES

New York, Jan. 17.—Daniel G. Reid, the "tin plate king," died today of pneumonia. He was 66 and had been virtually an invalid for the last four years.

Reid's career was one of the most remarkable in the realm of finance. At 25 he was a division superintendent on the Pennsylvania railroad. At 37, he had acquired a fortune of \$20,000,000.

Married in Council Bluffs. The following persons obtained marriage licenses in Council Bluffs yesterday: DeWitt B. Masson, Tilden, Neb.; Lucille Griffin, Neligh, Neb.; Herbert Beins, Plattsmouth, Neb.; Steve Kowalski, Omaha, Neb.; Carl Herbert Klentz, Norfolk, Neb.; Elsie Hoffman, Norfolk, Neb.; Helen Margaret Westmiller, Omaha; Julia Weber, Omaha; Leo H. Winner, Fremont, Neb.; Vera Morgan, Fremont, Neb.; John Schlegler, Lincoln, Neb.; Nannie Knudson, Lincoln, Neb.; Carl O. Miller, Tilden, Neb.; Raymond Granahan, Council Bluffs; A. M. Brumby, Council Bluffs; Theo Dora Dewey, Omaha; Frank Campbell, Omaha; Steve Kowalski, Omaha; Margaret Plesner, Tilden, Neb.; Robert A. Krosby, Plattsmouth, Neb.; Helen Margaret Westmiller, Omaha; Adrika O. Lind, Omaha; Bertha A. Christensen, Omaha; Arnie Thompson, Omaha; Marie Thomsen, Omaha.

Woman Falls on Ice and Stick Goes Into Chest

Liberty, Neb., Jan. 17.—Mrs. D. C. Dager, resident of this place, suffered serious injuries while chasing some chickens into an enclosure. She carried a stick in her hand and was waving it to hurry the chickens. She slipped on ice and fell in such a way as to force the stick into her chest. The end was quite sharp and it penetrated the skin for several inches.

Bridge Worker Falls

Bridgeport, Neb., Jan. 17.—Carl Laedel, employed on the Platte river bridge at Broadwater, is recovering from a concussion of the brain, received when he fell from the top of the bridge to the ice of the river, 18 feet below, striking his head.

Grandparents Tell How Slain Mother Grieved Over Girl's Ways

Minneapolis, Minn., Jan. 17.—Dorothy Ellingson's grandparents were found in Minneapolis today. Without bitterness, without tears, in the calm peace of old age that takes life as it comes and no longer questions its justice, they told what they knew of the San Francisco "jazz baby."

It was little. They last saw Dorothy when her parents brought her on a visit back to Minneapolis in 1916. Dorothy was only 8.

One thing is sure, Nels Erickson and his wife—the grandparents, 74 and 76, never went into the study of sociology, of heredity and environment, but they insist that Dorothy's windup has been environment. And

talking with the old folks, that is easy to believe.

"It's strange," they said. "We had just begun to hear from Anna of the trouble she was having with Dorothy."

"She used to write how glad she was, how smart Dorothy was, how fast she went in school, how she learned typewriting and got a good job—\$75 a month she got."

The Eriksons showed the last letter their daughter had written. It hinted at despondency, almost despair, all because of Dorothy's escapades in San Francisco.

It was "the kind of company she got into," the grandparents guessed, that made Dorothy "go wild."

Factory Walls Cave in; 10 Hurt

Two Seriously Crushed When Floor Collapses Without Warning.

Clinton, Ia., Jan. 17.—Ten persons were injured, two of them seriously, this morning when the third floor of the Lubbers & Bell Manufacturing plant collapsed.

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Nerve Fails Killer Maid at Inquest

Lass Who Shot Mother and Went to Dance, Sobs as Picture of Body Appears on Screen. Eegs for Swift Justice.

By International News Service. San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 17.—Dorothy Ellingson, "jazz baby" killer of her mother, must stand trial for murder.

"They can't stand the coroner's jury which investigated the shooting of Mrs. Anna Ellingson returned a verdict finding "there was sufficient evidence to try Dorothy Ellingson for murder."

By COPELAND C. BURG, International News Service Staff Correspondent. San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 17.—Dorothy Ellingson begged for swift justice tonight.

With her head and wings folded around her shivering body after a day of torture before a coroner's jury, which held she must stand trial for the murder of her mother, the 16-year-old "jazz baby" lay on a cot in prison and pleaded for an end to her troubles.

"They can't kill me or put me in prison for life, but I can't stand this torture any longer," she sobbed. "I want it all to be over—I don't care what they do to me now."

Her spirit completely broken and all the abandon and nerve which marked her actions since her arrest three days ago on the first charge of multiple on record in California, the red-headed, job-headed, "jazzmania" addict seemed to fully realize for the first time the enormity of the crime she has confessed.

From the moment early in the day when Coroner T. J. W. Leland flashed before her jury and her own eyes a stereoscopic view of the little bed-shrieked but for the most part she has sobbed softly in the motherly arms of Policewoman Katherine Sullivan.

With the girl who killed "because she had to live her own life" on a verge of a breakdown, which may halt her early trial, both defense and prosecution moved swiftly to prepare their cases.

"Mental sickness" may be the defense of the girl.

This was asserted by Dorothy's brother and her father, who tonight declared they would aid her in the fight against the state.

"They say Dorothy is mentally sick and if that is the case I want her to have a chance," declared the "jazz baby's" brother, Earl Ellingson. "My father and I want her to have a special attorney and I guess we will pay everything we can to make it easy for her. After all, she's our own flesh and blood."

State Makes Ready. "Murder charges will be filed against Dorothy and there is nothing that can be done to save her from a term in prison," declared Assistant District Attorney Joseph A. Garry, deputy district attorney, who represented the state in today's developments in the sensational case.

"Dorothy is morally insane," said the deputy district attorney. "Of course that is not a recognized crime, but this girl has had nothing in her life but a great desire for sex excitement. She, too, may be mentally sick, as they say, for perhaps she cannot distinguish between right and wrong."

Told of the result of the coroner's jury investigation, Dorothy merely asked that her trial be hastened. With her brother and father and Alexander Moonen, an attorney engaged to assist Public Defender Egan at her trial, she was in conference for more than an hour.

Her condition, however, was such that she was unable to show any enthusiasm in plans made to defend her and she reclined on a cot, occasionally speaking in a low voice to her father and brother.

Ellingson, the girl's father, said that if his daughter's condition was not improved next week he would ask for a postponement of her preliminary hearing, now scheduled for Thursday.

Pictures of her mother as she lay dead in bed, and an enormous enlargement of her mother's curly head, showing the hole torn by the bullet from Dorothy's gun, were the weapons of the law which broke the little "jazzmania" victim and caused her body to writhe in pain tonight.

"I can't stand to hear them tell about my mother," Dorothy sobbed, as her body twitched beneath her rust-colored suit and her hands clutched each other beneath the brown suede gloves.

"I hate blood—the mention of it makes me sick," she whispered to Policewoman Sullivan. "Oh, I was brave enough before, but I can't stand to hear them talk about poor mamma this way."

The Weather

For 24 hours ending 7 p. m. January 17, 1925. Relative humidity percentage 72. a. m. 80. noon 87. 7 p. m. 88. Precipitation percentage and hours. Total. a. total since January 1, 5.17; deficiency, 6.18.

Hourly Temperatures.

11 a. m.	52	11 p. m.	48
12 m.	54	12 m.	46