

## Witness Grilled On Her Testimony In Arbuckle Case

District Attorney Quizzes Girl  
Who Told Conflicting Stories—Inquest in Death of  
Miss Rappe Resumed.

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than usual interest when, toward the close of the session, Dr. B. W. Lealand asked the witness:  
"How do you know what happened if you had so many drinks of whisky?"  
"My memory is always good," she answered.

"Roscoe Hurt Me."  
When the inquest was resumed this afternoon Ira G. Fortinosis, a salesman, took the stand. He testified that he visited the hotel to see Fischbach on business and was prevailed on to remain for the party. He left, however, he said, before Arbuckle is supposed to have gone into a bedroom with Miss Rappe.

Al Semmacher, manager of Miss Rappe, testified that he attended the party after trying in vain to induce Miss Rappe to return to Los Angeles. He was not present, he said, during the alleged attack, but came back later and saw Miss Rappe on the bed, apparently very ill.

Semmacher also testified that he visited Miss Rappe the day following the party and she said to him:  
"Roscoe hurt me."  
He said he did not hear the screaming testified to by Mrs. Delmont and was surprised when he heard the full details of the party from Mrs. Delmont the next day.

Prohibition officers announced that they intended to question Arbuckle and the hotel management regarding the carrying of liquor into Arbuckle's rooms.

## Perjury Is Charged Against Witness

(By The Associated Press.)  
San Francisco, Sept. 13.—A statement expressing the conviction that perjury had been committed by one of the chief witnesses for the prosecution at the grand jury investigation last night of the death of Miss Virginia Rappe, film actress, for whose alleged murder Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle is under arrest, was issued here early today by District Attorney Matthew Brady.  
District Attorney Brady in the statement also charged that he believed "undue influence and pressure of a sinister character has been brought to bear" upon certain witnesses. Whether or not an arrest would be made in connection with his charge of perjury, he said, would depend on further developments.

Miss Provost Named.  
In his statement District Attorney Brady charged that Miss Zey Provost, also known as Zey Pyvroa, had changed her testimony before the grand jury from that she had given previously to the police and officials of the district attorney's office that Miss Rappe had told her Arbuckle had caused her injuries. Earlier last night it was reported Miss Pyvroa refused to sign a statement that Miss Rappe had told her this and later, it was said, she denied that she had ever made the assertion concerning Miss Rappe, Brady said.

District Attorney Brady's statement follows:  
"We have sent Miss Pyvroa home under surveillance. The girl changed her story completely before the grand jury. Whether or not we shall arrest her and charge her with perjury will depend on further developments. I am convinced, however, that perjury has been committed by her."

Influence Is Used.  
"I am convinced that undue influence and pressure of a sinister character has been brought to bear on her and other witnesses, one of whom, Alice Blake, has mysteriously disappeared from her home in Berkeley. We have been unable to find her."

"In spite of these efforts to thwart the ends of justice the investigation will proceed and no effort will be spared to bring the guilty ones to their just deserts."  
"Whenever wealth and influence are brought to the bar of justice every sinister and corrupt practice is used in an effort to free the accused. It is always easy to convict a poor man. The wealthy malefactors are the ones who find means of using their advantage. Wealth and influence should not count in favor of a defendant, neither should they count against him."

Changed Her Testimony.  
"This case should be handled just as the cases of the other gangsters are handled. The Pyvroa woman made a statement in the presence of Captain of Detectives Duncan Matheson, Assistant District Attorney Milton O'Ren and George Duffy. She repeated this statement time and again. Last night before the grand jury she changed her testimony."  
Arbuckle, the last witness summoned by the grand jury during its five-hour session, was aroused from a sound sleep about 1 o'clock this morning. Arbuckle, it is said, was in the grand jury room only three minutes. He is reported to have declined to make any statement further than to explain that his lawyers had advised him to keep silent.  
Mrs. Mambino Maud Delmont had previously testified concerning the party in Arbuckle's rooms at a hotel here on Labor day at which Miss Rappe was present. Other witnesses were heard.

Jury Defers Action.  
After Arbuckle left the grand jury room the jurors began to deliberate upon the testimony given. Behind closed doors the jurors argued, it is said, for half an hour, having excluded District Attorney Brady and his assistants. The conclusion then was reached, it was announced, to defer action until further evidence could be presented. No date was set for the resumption of the inquiry.  
After the adjournment Clifford Curtis, foreman, said:  
"We have decided to continue the hearing to give District Attorney

Brady opportunity to secure certain information which we desire. It was thought best not to vote on an indictment last night."

Mrs. Delmont Testifies.  
Mrs. Delmont testified in detail in the grand jury session regarding the occurrences at the party in which Miss Rappe is alleged to have received her fatal hurts. She had repeatedly knocked and kicked at the closed door behind which were Arbuckle and Miss Rappe, she said, and finally compelled Arbuckle to open it. She told of having attended the stricken girl and of the girl's removal to the Wakefield sanitarium from the hotel.

Mrs. Jean Jameson, one of the nurses who had attended Miss Rappe at the sanitarium, testified that Miss Rappe had told her that Arbuckle had treated her roughly and that Arbuckle had said that he had waited five years for the girl. At times Miss Rappe said she did not remember what happened in the room and at other times she accused Arbuckle of hurting her, Mrs. Jameson testified. Dr. William Oppals, who performed the postmortem on Miss Rappe, and Ira G. Fortinosis and Al Semmacher, guests of the party, also testified.

District Attorney Brady announced that he had summoned Miss Provost for an examination today regarding her testimony before the grand jury.

Have Torn Clothing.  
Two dainty silk garments, a blouse and a pair of bloomers, torn to shreds and giving every evidence of the terrific struggle made by their wearer to protect herself, are in the hands of the Los Angeles police. They are part of the clothing worn by Virginia Rappe. The clothing, together with a lady's bracelet and a pair of cuff links, was found at the home of Al Semmacher, former manager and booking agent for Miss Rappe at No. 2001 Pinehurst road, Hollywood. Semmacher was a member of the party.

Blouse Badly Torn.  
The blouse, tailored with long sleeves and a rollback collar, was ripped and torn, and the sleeves were torn to shreds. The cuffs, turned back, were held together with

the links now in the hands of the police.  
The buttonhole on the right sleeve was ripped open and the cuff was torn almost off while the back part of the same sleeve was ripped its entire length. The left cuff was torn off. The lower sleeve was torn to ribbons. Three of the five buttons in front were torn off.  
The bloomers, although of white silk, were slit the entire length along the right side of the garment, and the ribbons used to tie the lower part were broken and torn.

L. A. A. C. Drops "Fatty."  
Los Angeles, Sept. 13.—Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle was dropped from the membership roll of the Los Angeles Athletic club here last night. President William Garland said, "it was the unanimous belief of the directors that such a step should be taken." The L. A. A. C. is the largest club in the city.

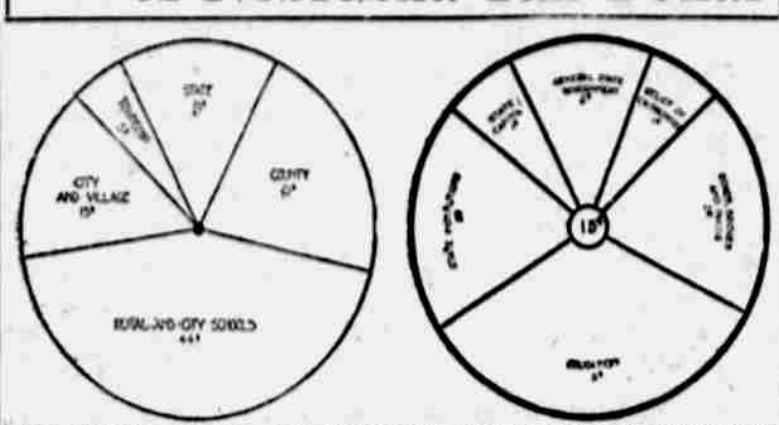
Pictures Banned in New York.  
New York, Sept. 13.—Exhibition of motion pictures in which Roscoe Arbuckle appears was suspended today by unanimous vote of the theater owners chamber of commerce, pending final determination of the charges against him. The organization represents more than 600 theaters.

Montreal, Sept. 13.—A motion picture featuring "Fatty" Arbuckle has been cancelled by a local theater.

Judge Assesses Small Fine As Couple Kiss and Make Up.  
Crete, Neb., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—Lou Havranek was fined \$5 in police court on a charge filed by his wife, claiming that he had whipped her and chased her away from home. She went to the home of her parents and filed the charges. When she came to the trial they kissed and made up.

Many Farm Sales Are Being Held Near Callaway, Neb.  
Callaway, Neb., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—A great number of farm sales are being held near here. Everything is selling cheap. Some farmers are quitting the farm until better prices can be had for produce.

## Diagrams Show Division of Nebraska Tax Dollar



Lincoln, Sept. 13.—(Special.)—Economy, like charity, might well start at home, according to diagrams at an exhibit at the Nebraska state fair last week, showing who got the greater part of the tax dollar in Nebraska.  
One diagram showed that only 15 cents of the dollar went to keep up the state government, while 44 cents of the dollar was spent on rural and city schools. The remainder, according to the diagram, went to county commissioners, city, village and township boards for upkeep of

institutions and offices maintained by those governments; 21 cents to the county government, 5 cents to the township government, 15 cents for city or village government; 44 cents to the schools and 15 cents to the state.  
Of the 15 cents which goes to the state, 3 cents is for education; 3 cents roads and bridges; 3 cents to keep up state institutions in various parts of the state; 1 cent for a new state house; 1 cent relief of ex-soldiers and 2 cents to maintain the state government.

Wheat Killed by Dry Weather Is Replanted at Callaway.  
Callaway, Neb., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—Practically all crops in this vicinity are beyond the danger of frost. Wheat drilling has started again. Farmers say the ground is in better shape for wheat than early in the season. Practically all of the first planting of wheat was killed by dry weather and grasshoppers and is being replanted.

Villisca Men Divide Honor Of Topping Cattle Market.  
The honor of receiving the top price for corn-fed steers on the mar-

ket yesterday was shared by J. P. Mayhew and Charles Hart, both of Villisca, Ia. Mr. Mayhew had a couple of loads of well-finished yearlings averaging 827 pounds and Mr. Hart had one carload of yearlings averaging 800 pounds, which were sold at the top price of \$10.10 a hundred for both shipments.

Escape Attempt Failed.  
Jefferson City, Mo., Sept. 13.—Three of four convicts who attempted to escape from the state penitentiary at 10 o'clock today were shot by the guards. One is not expected to recover. All were brought back to the penitentiary.

## Profits Tax Repeal Is Set for January 1, 1922

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taxation the amount of taxes paid stated on the shares of stockholders. The committee agreed to sections of the house bill exempting from tax interest on bank deposits of foreigners engaged in business in this country, but not having exempting places of business and exempting fraternal beneficiary societies from federal taxation. It also agreed to the house provision permitting corporations after January 1, to make consolidated returns for subsidiary companies or an individual return for each subsidiary.

No New Taxes.  
Discussing the action of the committee on the levy sections, Chairman Peppose said in his opinion no new taxes would have to be imposed. The thought of the committee, he added, was to repeal the taxes on the transportation of freight and passengers with the levies on oil by pipe line and on express packages retained because there was no particular demand for their repeal.

Under the bill as amended today by the committee corporations would pay \$60,000,000 less in taxes in the calendar year than they would under the present law, but it was explained that most of this loss in government revenues would be made up by committee charges already agreed upon or anticipated.  
The reduction in corporation taxes

for next year would be accounted for by repeal of the capital stock tax. In the calendar year 1923, however, corporations would pay \$242,500,000 less than under the present law, according to treasury estimates. This would be brought about through repeal of the profits tax, which would cut government revenues \$450,000,000 a year. As an offset, corporations, it was explained would pay an additional 5 per cent income tax estimated at \$267,500,000.

Many Nonresident Pupils Attend Callaway Schools.  
Callaway, Neb., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—The enrollment of the Callaway schools is larger this year than any year in the history of the schools. The enrollment totals 303. Last year the total enrollment was 250. The main reason of the increase this year is the fact that there are 43 nonresident pupils going to school in the Callaway district. The boys of the high school have decided on base ball as their fall game and are practicing after school. The first game was played at Arnold, where the Callaway boys met defeat.

Large Program Prepared For Neligh Fair Today.  
Neligh, Neb., Sept. 13.—(Special.)—Antelope county fair will start Wednesday. Three bands will furnish music during the afternoon program of horse racing, ball games and other attractions. A fireworks display will be given at night. The busi-

ness men have employed an orchestra and will give free dances on the pavement at night. Early entries indicate a record exhibit of farm products.

Foch Accepts Invitation To Be Guest of Steel Head.  
Paris, Sept. 13.—Marshal Foch has received and accepted an invitation from Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the board of the United States Steel corporation to be a guest at a dinner given by the Iron and Steel institute in New York City at which it is understood, there will be a great gathering of financiers and industrialists. The marshal will not go to America with General Pershing on board the cruiser Olympia when the body of an unknown American soldier will be returned to the United States. He considers that so solemn a voyage there is no place for even an ally. Marshal Foch plans to sail on the liner Paris, on October 22.

McCook Public Schools Have Record Enrollment.  
McCook, Neb., Sept. 13.—(Special Telegram.)—McCook public schools opened with by far the largest enrollment in the history of the city schools. Every department is overcrowded and there is need of added housing facilities. The over-crowded condition makes imperative the building of the junior high school building for which \$150,000 has been voted in bonds.

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