

DECLARED FREE ARREST TO BE AND OUTRAGE

Says She Is Not The Escaped Murderess

Police in Wyoming Have Exciting Chase After Suspected Woman

Casper, Wyo., Dec. 12.—"An outrage," this was the declaration today of the woman held in the Casper jail by the authorities of being Clara Phillips, escaped Los Angeles "hammer murderess."

"My name is Elizabeth Craig and I came to Kirby, Wyoming," she said today to seek employment. "The woman looks much heavier and older than Mrs. Phillips."

Casper, Wyo., Dec. 12.—Refusing to talk or reveal her identity, a woman was taken into custody by police Captain Clayton to Mrs. Clara Phillips, Los Angeles, "phantom woman," who staged a sensational escape from the county jail in that city a week ago this morning, being held in the Casper jail today awaiting examination by Chief of Police Neidhart.

At 6 o'clock this morning Sergeant O'Brien of the Casper police department, who had been on duty all night, found the woman had apparently slept soundly during the night. Further attempts to identify her, he said, will not be made until this morning.

The woman, answering many details of the descriptions of the escaped "hammer murderess" was taken away early after an exciting chase through the streets of Casper shortly after 5 o'clock last night.

Accompanied by a man who left a trail starting from Billings, Montana, and entered a taxicab at the Burlington depot. Two motorcycle policemen who had been watching the woman from the streets for several nights on a tip that Mrs. Phillips would make an attempt to travel east over the Northern Pacific, immediately gave chase.

As the woman was seen to enter the taxicab, the motorcycle policemen were soon overtaken and the woman brought to police headquarters. The woman was unsuccessful in several efforts to get information from the woman and she refused to give any name. There were no marks of identification upon her clothing.

Search had been made all night for the woman who was with the arrested woman. The woman was taken to the city jail and held in the cell.

Members of the Klan in Rochester, N. Y., are charged with responsibility of the massacre of Christians.

Albany, Dec. 12.—Alvin B. A. de la, a delegate in the Turkish nationalist assembly at Ankara, was arrested today on charges of being a member of the organization of the massacre of Christians in Smyrna.

Infant mortality in northern part of state grows steadily.

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OWNER OF LARGE PHILADELPHIA, NEW YORK AND PARIS DEPARTMENT STORES SUCCOMBS FOLLOWING TWO MONTHS' ILLNESS—WAS POSTMASTER-GENERAL IN HARRISON CABINET

Philadelphian, Dec. 12.—John Wanamaker, merchant prince and philanthropist, owner of the Wanamaker stores of New York, Philadelphia and Paris died early today at his home here following an illness lasting more than two months.

His illness had been an extraordinary one for Mr. Wanamaker, recovering from a marked improvement in his condition recently. He was 85 years old and this was believed to have retarded recovery. He was born July 11, 1838, in Philadelphia, Pa. His father was a bricklayer and his paternal grandfather a farmer. His ancestors were among the earliest settlers of Pennsylvania.

His mother, Elizabeth Kochersperger, was a descendant of an old Dutch family that had come to this country in the seventeenth century. Her father was Henry Kochersperger, of Malaga, N. J. Mr. Wanamaker attended the Landreth public school, then entered the employment of a total publishing house, at a salary of \$125 a week. A short time later he was promoted to assistant manager, and in 1856 returned to Philadelphia, the boy securing a better position in a clothing store, where he at once impressed the owner with his ability.

After his trip for his health to Minnesota, he returned to Philadelphia as the first paid secretary of the C. C. A., then in its formative period.

When the Civil War broke out he was among the first to volunteer, but was rejected because of his lungs. He made a great career in business and public life and made it all himself. He was a great character and a great man.

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BOTH PARTIES EAGER TO GIVE FARMER HELP

Relief By Expansion of Credit Wins Approval

Major Features of Harding Recommendations Passed at Present Session

Washington, Dec. 12.—Farm credit legislation received in congress yesterday an impetus which both Republican and Democratic leaders said insured legislation in behalf of agriculturists.

Arrangements were made for immediate hearings by two senate committees and at least the uncertainty as to the farm bloc met and made plans to press the credit extension legislation.

Partisan support for major features of administration recommendations to expand credit of farmers was indicated.

Block endorsement, meaning that of the Democratic majority, was given to the farm bloc met and made plans to press the credit extension legislation.

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KEEP REPARATIONS TO GERMANY UNITED STATES WILL NOT OFFER EUROPE ANY PROPOSALS

Temper of Congress Is For Insistent Collection of Foreign Debts—France's Unyielding Policy Subject of Condemnation

Washington, Dec. 12.—If the Allied Premiers have adjourned their conference today, the reports inspired by the States will come forward with suggestions for settling the German Reparations issue, they are deemed to disavow.

This was the answer in official quarters today to the question whether the French statement on the reparations issue, it can be stated on the highest authority that the United States intend making no proposals in the near future, it developed today.

Only Congress can decree a scaling down of the reparations issue, the present temper of Congress in the face of a demand for lower reparations, the United States is strongly averse to any policy except such a one.

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