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THERE can't be any question now that the grand jury means business in its probe of the Denver civil service scandal. With District Judge Miles backing up the jury so staunchly and District Attorney Carroll co-operating so vigorously in the investigation, there seems to be a good chance that the jury will get to the bottom of the mess.

The speed with which Judge Miles slapped one stubborn witness into jail Friday should encourage others to speak out frankly and truthfully when they are called before the grand jury. They should understand from what happened to Frank L. Barnes that anybody who tries to "play horse" or defy the grand jury is just making a lot of trouble for himself. If any witness prefers a jail cell to telling what he knows about the traffic in city civil service examination papers, he will be accommodated without delay.

When Barnes balked Thursday night at telling the grand jury all about an alleged offer to put him high on a police eligible list for \$300, District Attorney Carroll promptly cited him to appear in court on a contempt charge. Barnes still wouldn't talk when he was brought before Judge Miles on Friday, so he was sent to jail to remain there until he is willing to testify fully and truthfully. In holding that Barnes was in contempt of court, Judge Miles found that he had given false testimony "deliberately and with premeditation" and that he had withheld facts of which he clearly has knowledge.

Barnes complained, as he was being booked at the jail, that "This is a fine way to treat a citizen." It is a very proper way to treat any citizen who insists upon concealing knowledge of a crime and who interferes with the operations of a grand jury. A good citizen would co-operate with the law-enforcement agencies.

A person who feels that his testimony might incriminate him, is privileged to refuse to testify before a grand jury. But Barnes made no such claim. There is no charge or even a suspicion that he had any part in any crooked dealings in any civil service examination. The understanding is that he did not try to buy a civil service rating. He is in jail because he refused to give the grand jury the name of the man who offered to put him high on the list for \$300 and detail all the circumstances connected with the offer.

Police department heads who permitted a police sergeant to take a leave of absence to go to Florida while his promotion was under investigation in connection with the grand jury's civil service probe certainly laid themselves wide open to censure. Even if they did not know this particular officer was being investigated, they did know the investigation might affect many members of the police department. Before permitting any member of the department to go out of the state on a vacation trip, they should, as a matter of self protection, consult the district attorney and find out if the officer in question will be needed as a witness in the grand jury investigation.

THE agreement reached between Governor Carr and Attorney General Rogers on the answer which Colorado will make to a contempt citation of the United States supreme court in the controversy with Wyoming over diversion of water from the Laramie river is gratifying. The issues involved are of vital importance, not only to Colorado but to other irrigation states. Failure of the governor and attorney general to reconcile their views might have jeopardized the state's entire defense.

The most serious question involved in this water controversy in whether the United States supreme court, in making an allocation to states of water from an interstate stream, can allocate a state's share of that water to individual users. Colorado insists the supreme court of the nation has no such power. Wyoming contends that is what the supreme court did in dividing the water of the Laramie river. If Wyoming's position should be sustained, then all the water rights in Colorado, which have been adjudicated in the state courts, would be in jeopardy.

Another vital issue is giving consideration to "return flow" in dividing waters of an interstate stream between states. Colorado contends that the United States supreme court, thru intervention, based this state's share in the Laramie river on measurements of water diverted at headgates many miles from the state line and, as a result, underestimated the amount of water which would be available at the Wyoming line. It is said that Wyoming originally admitted that 75 per cent of the water diverted to the meadow lands in North park goes back to the river as "return flow." The district court in Larimer county has found that "return flow" amounts to as much as 90 per cent of the water diverted for irrigation. "Return flow" is one of the most important factors in irrigation. Without it, the irrigable acreage would be materially reduced.

THE automobile theft bureau of the Denver police department is to be congratulated on the excellent work it did last year. Of the 487 motor vehicles reported stolen in the city during 1939, all but four were recovered. The report of Sgt. Lawrence Cook, who heads the bureau, also shows the recovery of sixty motor vehicles stolen outside the city. Automobile thieves, like other crooks, may find the actual stealing easy, but getting away with their loot is anything but easy.

Increasing vigilance on the part of local and federal authorities has cut the number of auto thefts more than in half in the last decade. Back in 1931, auto thefts in cities of more than 100,000 population totaled 95,894. In 1938—the last year for which complete figures have been announced by the federal bureau of investigation—the number of stolen motor vehicles in these cities was down to 46,756. In the same period, the daily average of auto thefts was cut from 262.7 to 128.1.

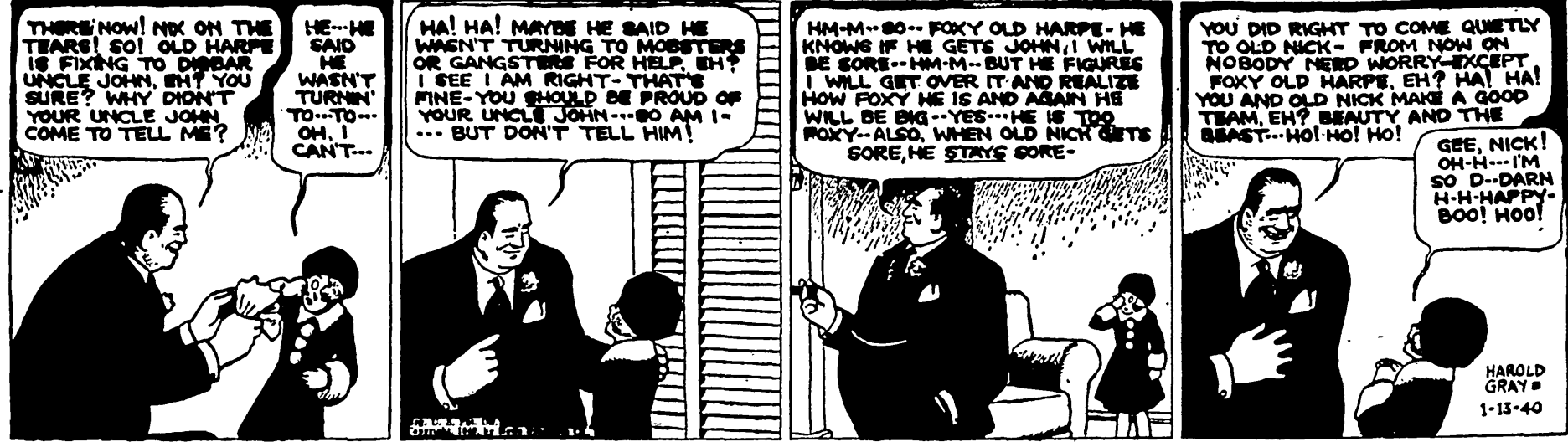
BELIEVING that the "greatest need for young people in America just now is to remain completely neutral toward European conflicts," the executive council of the student government body at the University of Colorado has voted unanimously to refrain from joining in a campaign to raise funds for Finnish refugees. This is an example of not allowing sympathy to run away with judgment.

University of Colorado students undoubtedly sympathize just as deeply with Finland as do their elders. But, if the United States becomes embroiled in a foreign war, the young men in our colleges and universities will be the first to be called upon to do the fighting. The youth of today who survive the war will bear a big share of the burden of paying the money cost of that war, too. One may think the university students are overcautious. It may be that so, as a nation, can extend all kinds of help to Finland without getting into trouble. But the more strictly we attend to our own business, the less danger there is to us. If anybody wants to contribute to a relief fund, it should not be forgotten that we have a lot of "depression refugees" in our own country.

THAT is a patriotic stand which the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers has taken. Its executive board has pledged the co-operation of the organization to the government and employers to combat sabotage in industrial plants. That should be the policy of every labor organization in this country.

Self-interest, as well as patriotism, requires the closest co-operation between workers and employers to protect industrial plants against sabotage by foreign agitators. Any plot to blow up a factory endangers the lives of people working there. If a manufacturing plant is wrecked, or its operations are merely interfered with, large numbers of workers are deprived of employment. If American industrial workers keep their eyes open and maintain a vigilant watch, Communist or Fascist saboteurs will have a tough time trying to put manufacturing plants out of business.

LITTLE ORPHAN ANNIE



—By HAROLD GRAY

Big Man, What Now?

Sugar Company Official Dies



JOSEPH MAUDRU, General superintendent of the Great Western Sugar company in Denver, who died Friday after a long illness.

JOSEPH MAUDRU, GREAT WESTERN EXECUTIVE, DIES

General Superintendent Was Famed as Sugar Technologist.

Funeral services for Joseph Maudru, 60, of 2021 Birch street, general superintendent of the Great Western Sugar company who died at his home Friday after a long illness, will be held Monday.

A rosary service will be conducted in the Olinger mortuary, Speer boulevard and Sherman street, at 8 p. m. Sunday. A requiem mass will be sung in the Blessed Sacrament church at 9:30 a. m. Monday. Burial will be in Mount Olivet cemetery.

DEVELOPED PROCESS TO GET SUGAR FROM MOLASSES. Mr. Maudru, a widely known sugar technologist, was prominently identified with many technical developments in the beet sugar industry and was credited with perfecting the so-called Johnston process for extracting sugar from molasses. Before he completed his work in 1925, such extraction was not practical commercially.

His work, which included two trips to Europe in 1924 and 1925, was culminated by construction of the Johnston factory, the only one of its kind in the world.

CAME TO COLORADO THIRTY-SIX YEARS AGO. In 1904 he came to Colorado to enter the services of what is now the Great Western Sugar company as chief chemist at Windsor. Three years later he went to Fort Collins as chief chemist of the Great Western plant there and in a short time was made superintendent at Brush.

MRS. NELLIE ROSS' SON MARRIES VIRGINIA GIRL. The bride is a daughter of Mrs. George Hardy and the late George Hardy. She studied at Kings Smith, London, Academy of Dramatic Art and in Venice and Paris. Ross is a member of the law firm of Lacey & Loomis of Cheyenne, Wyo.

After a trip to Nassau, the couple will live in Cheyenne.

HEAVY SNOW BRINGS CHEER TO FARMERS

(Continued From Page One.) areas from Wyoming to New Mexico undoubtedly received similar benefits. Six inches of new snow fell at Eleven Mile Canon reservoir, five inches at Cheesman dam and ten inches at Winter Park, formerly known as West Portal, at the western foot of Berthoud pass, and snow was still falling at these points Saturday morning.

FALL FOR YEAR ABOVE NORMAL. At Winter Park, where Denver's under-the-mountains water enters the Moffat bore, there now are thirty-five inches of snow on the ground, a depth that spells good news for ski enthusiasts, too.

At Denver, where the first spitting of snow began a sundown Friday, 28 inch of moisture fell during the night, while the thermometer got no lower than 15 degrees above zero, which was one degree warmer than the previous day's minimum. This moisture, added to that already received, brings the total precipitation to .54 inch since Jan. 1 at the downtown weather office.

CLEARING SKIES EXPECTED BY NIGHT. Goodland, Kan., reported .17 of an inch and still snowing, while Dodge City reported a "trace" of precipitation and rain still falling there. Santa Fe, N. M., had .07 of an inch. The Denver forecast is "Snow flurries Saturday afternoon, clearing early Saturday night. Sunday fair with rising temperature. Lowest Saturday night, 10 to 15 degrees above."

DRIFTS PILED HIGH IN SILVERTON AREA. Strong winds turned Colorado's second weekend snowstorm of 1940 into a whirling blizzard in the mining city of Silverton and Ouray, where they piled up drifts, blocking highways in southwestern Colorado.

SLIDE BLOCKS RAILWAY LINE. Drifts also blocked the Montrose-to-Ridgeway road. An eight-ton slide, caused by storm, blocked the Denver & Western railroad, Delta to Whitewater, for ten hours, but was blasted off the track and traffic resumed at 8 a. m.

SNOWFALL THIS SEASON ON WOLF CREEK PASS, WEST OF ALAMOSA, NOW EQUALS FIVE FEET, BUT THE PASS IS OPEN. Ten inches of snow piled into tremendous drifts, blocking highways in southwestern Colorado.

AT SAVAGE BASIN, ON THE CREST OF THE SAN MIGUEL RANGE, THE NIGHT SNOWFALL MEASURED FORTY-SEVEN INCHES, AND TOTAL DEPTH ON THE GROUND THERE NOW IS SEVEN FEET. The Million Dollar highway over Red Mountain pass was drift-blocked, and no attempts were being made to clear the road because of slide danger.

AT FRIDAY'S CONFERENCE THE CITY WAS REPRESENTED BY WILSON, CITY ATTORNEY WILLIAM H. MCNICHOLES AND CITY ATTORNEY MALCOLM LINDSEY. Representing the pension fund were Armstrong and Deputy State Treasurer Charles T. Hanes.

THE FIRST MATTER TAKEN UP WAS THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE FROM DENVER UNDER THE STATE SUPREME COURT RULING THAT THE PENSION FUND IS ENTITLED TO 85 PER CENT OF ALL LOCAL LIQUOR LICENSE FEES. The figure of \$470,070.02 was agreed upon.

THEN IT WAS AGREED THAT THE OLD AGE PENSION FUND'S SHARE OF 1940 LIQUOR LICENSES COLLECTED BY THE CITY DURING DECEMBER IS \$93,500. Armstrong had estimated this item at a higher figure, but city officials produced their records to show the exact amount taken in.

NEXT, THE PLAN OF PAYMENT WAS WORKED OUT. CITY OFFICIALS NOT ONLY ASSURED ARMSTRONG AND HANES PAYMENTS WILL BE MADE TO THE PENSION FUND AS FAST AS PROPERTY TAXES ARE COLLECTED, BUT TOLD HIM THAT UNLESS SOMETHING UNFORESEEN INTERFERES THEY WILL BE ABLE TO COMPLETE THE PAYMENTS BY OR BEFORE FEB. 10.

BREAD BAKED 2,500 YEARS AGO WAS FOUND RECENTLY AMONG OTHER RUINS OF LONG VANISHED SCYTHIAN TOWNS BY AN EXPEDITION FROM THE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES IN THE UKRAINE.

Shafroth Prize Winners



JUNE WRIGHT (top) and JERRY BROWN, Both South high school students, who won both first prizes Friday night in the eighteenth annual Shafroth speech contest.

FULL PENSIONS FOR FEBRUARY SEEM ASSURED

(Continued From Page One.) at which time the board will fix the amounts of the pensions to be paid in February. This meeting is expected to be held Feb. 10.

THE STATE WAS ASSURED THAT THE CITY WILL NOT WAIT UNTIL THE FEBRUARY MEETING DATE TO MAKE A PAYMENT TO THE PENSION FUND. City officials offered to begin making payments Monday. They assured the state representatives they will clean up the debt to the pension fund just as rapidly as the tax collections can be made.

AS A RESULT OF THE AGREEMENT REACHED FRIDAY AFTERNOON, IT IS UNDERSTOOD STATE TREASURER CHARLES M. ARMSTRONG WILL NOT PRESS THE DEMAND MADE UPON MANAGER OF REVENUE F. E. WILSON AND WILSON'S BONDSMEN FOR IMMEDIATE PAYMENT OF 85 PER CENT OF THE LIQUOR LICENSE COLLECTIONS MADE DURING DECEMBER ON 1940 LICENSES.

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SOUTH CAPTURES BOTH FIRSTS IN ORATORY CONTEST

June Wright and Jerry Brown Winners of Shafroth Speaking Prizes.

South high school students carried off both first prizes Friday night in the eighteenth Shafroth prize contest for extemporaneous speaking, held in the South high auditorium. One boy and one girl from each of the five senior high schools of the city were the contestants.

June Wright, 16, of 1495 South Elizabeth street, representing South, won first prize for girls with her discussion, "What is the value of an intensive study of vocations at the high school level?"

She said, in brief, that high school classes studying vocations try to discover student aptitudes and interests, then direct them into fields for which they are best suited.

She said that vocational instructors try to steer pupils away from overcrowded fields into positions of opportunity, and thus keep square pegs out of round holes in the vocational world.

Jerry Brown, 17, of 777 South Gaylord street, also representing South high, won first prize for boys discussing the topic: "The general public is better informed on national and world problems today than ever before." He said that the greater wealth of newspapers topping his list, results in a better understanding. He traced the growth of news gathering, the struggle for freedom of expression and the advance in making news reports accurate.

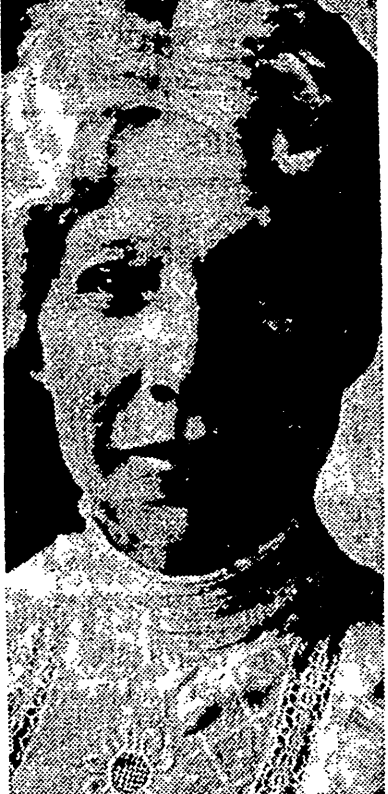
South's two winning entrants in the contest were coached by Leon K. Whitney, director of speech at the school.

Whitney, Miss Bernadetta M. Daly, Mrs. Genevieve Kreiner, Miss Abby M. Perkins and Lloyd B. Jones were the judges.

The Shafroth prize contest was established Jan. 3, 1921, by the late Senator John F. Shafroth of Colorado.

The prizes are books, selection of which is left to the winners.

Pioneer Business Woman Dies



MRS. MARY TOBIAS, Denver hardware store proprietor for nearly half a century, who died Friday from the infirmities of old age.

MRS. MARY TOBIAS, FORMER HARDWARE MERCHANT, IS DEAD

Mrs. Mary Tobias, 84, former owner and manager of a Denver hardware store at 2621 West Colfax avenue for forty years, died Friday at 851 Leyden street from the infirmities of old age.

She was born in the old kingdom of Austria-Hungary and came in 1878 to New York city, where she married Joseph Tobias a few years later. The young couple came to Denver more than fifty-five years ago, and opened one of the early day hardware stores. About ten years later Mrs. Tobias became sole owner and manager. Her husband died two years ago in California.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Rose Liss and Mrs. Regina Weinstein, both of Denver, and Mrs. Sarah Adramson of Portland, Ore.

Funeral services will be held in the Meyer mortuary at 11 a. m. Sunday. Burial will be in Mount Neba cemetery.

SOUTH FINLAND TOWNS RAIDED BY RED FLYERS

(Continued From Page One.) who drop out of the sky by parachute. At the same time, extensive air raid precautions were being taken in northern Finland following large air attacks by Russian planes.

Reports indicated the bombers ranged over a wide area in the north, but caused little damage.

In the far north, Ivalo, on the shore of Lake Inari, was bombed for the first time. One person was killed and three were injured. More than seventy bombs were dropped.

Groups of boys were recruited to dig shelters and air raid shelters.

You'd Be Surprised!

(By George W. Stimpson.)

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE THEORY that the earl of Oxford wrote the Shakespeare plays has started another controversy over the identity of the greatest poet and dramatist of all time and all countries.

WE PREDICT THE NEW THEORY will not be more convincing to Shakespeare readers than the Baconian theory was and that tens of thousands of Shakespearean lovers will continue to make pilgrimages to Stratford-upon-Avon every year.

LAST YEAR NEARLY 100,000 VISITORS went to Shakespeare's birthplace. There are at least 4,000 different ways of spelling the name Shakespeare.

Berlin Says Poles Are Deserting Allies

Berlin, Jan. 13. — (A. P.) — DNE the official news agency, said Saturday that Polish soldiers in the French army were deserting and crossing the western front lines.

THEY SHOWED "NO DESIRE TO FIGHT for England's prestige," it said, "the more so because re-establishment of Poland is not expected and the fight against Germany has shown itself to be hopeless."

THEY WERE TAKEN DOWN SECRETLY in shorthand at the theater for unauthorized publishers.

THE THIRTY-SEVEN PLAYS CREDITED WHOLLY OR IN PART TO SHAKESPEARE contain a total of 814,780 words.

His writing vocabulary consisted of 15,000 different words. Shakespeare, the professional actor, played only minor parts in his own plays, such as the ghost in "Hamlet" and old Adam in "As You Like It."

In Italy, where Shakespeare laid many of his scenes, his plays are neglected, while in Germany, where he laid none of his scenes, they are very popular.

Sir John Falstaff, an important role in three plays, speaks only in prose. Shakespeare did not hesitate to defy historical fact for dramatic effect.

UNION PARLEY ASKS WHEELER TO BE SPEAKER

Lewis Creates Political Puzzle by Inviting Montanan.

Washington, Jan. 13. — (A. P.) — John L. Lewis created a new political puzzle Saturday with an invitation to Senator Wheeler (Dem.) of Montana, a potential candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, to address the golden anniversary convention of the United Mine Workers at Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 23.

Politicians recalled that the Mine Workers supported President Roosevelt in the 1936 election, as the "greatest humanitarian of our times" and made loans and contributions totaling almost \$600,000 to the Democratic campaign organizations.

They wondered whether Lewis' invitation, in which he called Wheeler "one of the most eminent of our contemporary statesmen" and asked him to speak "upon such public questions as you may consider germane," might mean that the C. I. O. chieftain would back the westerner this year.

INVITATION MAY BE GESTURE OF DISSATISFACTION. Not all of the speculation was along this line, however. There was talk in the capital also that the invitation might be intended to express dissatisfaction with recent policies of the Roosevelt administration. Lewis has been criticized lately by some new deal relief outlays.

Still other possibilities discussed by analysts were that the United Mine Workers' president was merely making a general gesture indicating the kind of man he would like to see in the presidency.

Wheeler, who once ran for vice president on a third-party ticket headed by the father of Senator La Follette (Prog.) of Wisconsin, accepted the invitation.

The Columbus meeting, which Lewis said will be attended by 2,000 more delegates and would be in session for ten days or two weeks, is expected to make some sort of political pronouncement.

The Montana senator was in Pittsburgh to address the League of Women Voters when news of the invitation became public here. In his address to the league he said he was not opposing President Roosevelt and that if Roosevelt were nominated for a third term he would support him. **FEELS SURE ROOSEVELT HAS REASONS FOR PRECEDENT.**

"But," he added, "I feel sure I haven't any idea of running for a third term. I think he has as much respect for the president as I have, and for that reason I feel confident he's not going to be a candidate."

Wheeler said also that in times of emergency, with nine or ten millions unemployed, it would be impossible to balance the federal budget.

DECLARED, "HOWEVER, THAT A DICTIONARY" WAS THE RECEIVER OF A BANKRUPT NATIONAL BANK AND THAT "SOMER" OR LATER A NATIONAL THAT SPENDS MORE THAN IT TAKES IN GOES BANKRUPT."

FROM PITTSBURGH THE SENATOR went to Cleveland for another address at noon Saturday. There he declined to say whether he was a presidential candidate.

"Many people have been very kind to me," he said, adding: "John Lewis and I have been friends for years."

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