

## Directed Verdict Of Acquittal Asked By Attorneys For Lake

Defense Counsel Files Motion Contending State Has Failed To Prove Their Charge Says Lake Is Not Linked With Crime Emphasizes Responsibility Of Bankers Trusted With Funds

When court reconvened at 10 o'clock this afternoon, Judge Gray directed the jury to return a verdict of not guilty. The state attorneys desire to press prosecution on another indictment and the defense filed a motion for judgment of acquittal on the basis of a conviction of last week were scheduled to be disposed at today's session beginning at 8:15 o'clock.

A directed verdict of acquittal was asked this afternoon by attorneys of Forrest Lake, following conclusion of the state's case in the trial of the banker on a charge of embezzlement and abstraction of \$2,000 of the funds belonging to the Seminole County Bank.

With the jury excused from the courtroom, To a Palm Beach attorney's counsel, Mr. J. H. DeWitt, Jr., presented a motion for judgment of acquittal on the basis of the state's failure to prove its case.

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## RECORD SHOWS CONFUSION OF PRE-WAR DAYS Governor Al Smith Attacks Solon For Insinuating Charge

Department Releases American War Correspondence Showing Harry Grisp Statesmen Had On Affairs Disclosures Excite Diplomatic Circles

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## Professional Firefighters Plan To Have Exhibits In Club Flower Show

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# Southern Fans Who Have Watched Ruth And Gehrig Fan Balls Are Skeptical

BY DAVIS J. WALSH  
International News Service  
Special Editor  
NEW YORK, Mar. 20.—For one reason or another, probably both, the headline act of Ruth and Gehrig, is not going over with the Southern public these days. The latter, in fact, were beginning to wonder rather audibly, as I was gracing the scene, just what it was all about as it watched the mighty pair swing lustily but to slight effect. There probably are few visions less inspiring than that of a home run hitter hitting terrific drives too deep for the catcher to handle.

That, anyhow, is what I left Herman Ruth and Henry Louis Gehrig doing and subsequent advice from the South have neglected to make note of any worthy change in the program. The boys apparently are continuing to hit them well out of the catcher's reach.

The source of Herman's ineptitude is not far to seek, as the fork butcher said to Mrs. McHaffey, Herman simply tried to do his dispatch with too little time at his disposal. He happens to be physically subnormal at the moment. Gehrig's case, they say, is the usual one with young men who come into overnight acclaim.

"Temperament," is the verdict on Lou's and, really, you can't deny that this is one of the neatest words we have for something else.

In either case and both, the difficulty may be regarded as a temporary one, Herman being subject to fits of physical despondency and Louis being young enough to recover in due time. But, at that, the general idea among American League men is that both of them can't and won't repeat their lunate hitting of the 1927 season.

This is one of the matters that gives Ernest S. Barnard cause to hope for a clean race. Mr. Barnard is somewhat of a notice at home. Being just entered into the spirit of the thing for the first time this year. But then, he is being president of the American League for the first time this year and naturally the necessity of holding in public finds him a bit off in his timing or something.

Another reason quoted as giving the American League cause to view the future with some optimism is the belief, current among rival managers, that the Yanks won't get the pitching they knew in 1927.

One of the claims is that W.P. Moore's slider may cause a point where it will strike out, not out—terms of easy fan favor with the average hit. They say it is not written that his delivery can dumbfound the hitters for the rest of their natural lives.

The absence of Urban Shocker, a good Spring pitcher, and his consequent neglect to attain condition also points to a lack of pitching effectiveness on the Yankees, they say. This claim, they say, may not be borne out in full, as they said about the man who was carried from the bar. But it does indicate that the American League is rich in Presidential matter if any man who can't hope like this needs a roll top desk, a box of cigars and a key to the city.

**SISLER IS STILL GOOD**  
TAMPA, Fla., Mar. 20. (INS)—George Sisler is still Sisl'ing. His three hits contributed for the Senators' 10-6 victory over the Buffalo Internationals yesterday, as they punished in five runs.

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## Training Camp Briefs

**FORT MYERS, Fla., Mar. 20.**—(INS)—The New York Giants are very much worried over the continued absence of Vic Aldridge, holdout pitcher, as some of the younger hurlers are not coming up to expectations. Walker and Clarkson were given a sweet pasting by the Athletics yesterday, but the Giants finally hammered out a 3 to 2 victory.

**TAMPA, Fla., Mar. 20.**—(INS)—Although their hitting strength remains uncertain, the Brooklyn Robins are as strong as ever in pitching. Clark, Elliott and Ehrhardt had little difficulty in subduing the Phillies, 3 to 1, at Wintertown yesterday. Today the Robins will take on the Senators here.

**ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Mar. 20.**—(INS)—As the Yankees met the Boston Braves here today, some rumor whispered that several New York rookies are due to get the axe. Ben Chapman, infielder, and Dusty Cooke, outfielder, will be sent to Carolina, and catcher Bill Eshanna will be shipped to Hartford, Conn., it was said. Sam Byrd, Birmingham outfielder, appears to have made the grade.

**CATALINA ISLAND, Cal., Mar. 20.**—(INS)—With his Cubs back on the home training lot, McCarthy today went about the business of correcting weaknesses revealed in the recent exhibition series on the mainland. His pitching staff came in for much of his undivided attention today.

**WICHITA FALLS, Tex., Mar. 20.**—(INS)—The Chicago White Sox welcomed the sight of this place today after their disastrous two-day stretch at Fort Worth, where Jackie Atz's Cubs wallowed them twice in a row. The Cats won again yesterday by the score of 7 to 1.

**FT. MYERS, Fla., Mar. 20.**—(INS)—The Athletics will try to earn an extra break with the New York Giants here this afternoon when the fourth and final game of the Florida series is played. The Giants won yesterday 10 to 6 after a game interrupted by the A's withdrawal by a double play.

**WINTER HAVEN, Fla., Mar. 20.**—(INS)—The Dallas Cowboys announced the postponement to meet the Baltimore Orioles, each of a pair of games, as a result of the postponement of the game for the night of today when the Brooklyn Dodgers are to play the Cubs at 7 o'clock. The Cubs are now four games behind the Pirates without allowing a hit.

Less than a week ago, a number of times in a row, automobiles, trucks and buses in Florida were in a jam.

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## Gene Sarazen Gets Lead In Match For Rich Golfing Stake

**MIAMI BEACH, Fla., Mar. 20.**—(INS)—Just six strokes, that can easily be dropped on any 18 or 20 holes, separated the dozen leaders in the hand-picked field on 45 golfers who teed off today in the final 36 holes of the \$15,000 Miami Beach-La Gorce Open Tournament. Up on top of the heap, by virtue of a single stroke, was distinctive Gene Sarazen, Fresh Meadows, Long Island, professional who has won every open event in the district this winter. Sarazen's total on the first 36 holes of 139 is threatened not only by Bobby Cruikshank, Purchase, N. Y., whose first day's play netted him 140 strokes, but by Johnny Farrell, the consistent player of Quaker Ridge, N. Y., who was tied for second place with Bobby with a similar card.

Henry Cuiel, Stratford, Conn., who set a new course record of 65 in qualifying Sunday, was but three strokes away from Sarazen and Light Horse Harry Cooper, Buffalo, winner of the first Los Angeles Open. Joe Kirkwood, trick Australian shot-maker, and Harry Hampton, with mid-counts of 143, could each put in a good nine to make the leaders worse.

Sarazen, the cocky champion of the district for the past two years, still continued the favorite and Henry Cuiel was the best horse shooting at \$5,000, the largest pot of gold, the \$5,000 top money and \$1,000 gold plate, as well as the special lap prizes.

## Tunney's Opponent Causes Discussion Among Fistic Fans

**CHICAGO, Mar. 20.**—(INS)—Gene Tunney has been offered \$100,000 with a privilege of fifty per cent of the net receipts for a defense of his heavyweight championship in Chicago this summer. Promoted by James C. Mullin, announced today.

Mullen made the offer, he said after being assured by friends in the East that owing to the collapse of T. V. Rickhard's heavy weight operation, the New York promoter would be unable to fill the terms of his contract with Tunney which calls for a fight this June or July.

The Chicago promoter announced plans of his own to a heavy weight, the nation's next best, that he will start at the Coliseum Friday night, being the only one of the three, the St. Louis, Mo., promoter, and Roberto Roberti, the Italian.

Mullen declared that if Tunney accepts his offer, he will enter into a contract with the winner of the championship fight on Paul Harvey who recently defeated the champion.

**RUTH LIES WINNERS**  
ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., Mar. 20. (INS)—But Ruth, who has had a most successful season in Chicago, managed to win in past years, including the 1928, for Eugene McCreary, the National Cardinals, from the Cubs, Reds, Braves, Browns, Indians, American League, Athletics, Senators, Texas, Indians, White Sox, Red Sox, Browns.

The following were engaged in setting tamarac trees last week: Messrs. H. C. Parker and G. S. Brown, five each; R. C. Smith and Clark Mathers, one hundred trees each.

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## GOLDENROD

The following congenial party motored to Cocoa Beach and spent the day Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Russell, Mrs. Forman, Mrs. Lichtenstein and family and guests, Mr. and Mrs. Shiffmacher of Palm Beach and Mrs. Gopper of New York.

The weekly bridge club met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Bettinetti.

Mr. and Mrs. Shiffmacher of New York and Palm Beach are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hall motored to St. Petersburg Saturday. Mrs. Pierce, the former's aunt, who was spending the winter there returned with them for an indefinite visit here.

Rev. Marchis of Parentum Pa., arrived Friday for a four weeks visit. Mr. and Mrs. Stanko of Slavica, will entertain him in their home, during his stay, and a Bible school in the Slovak language will be conducted under his tutelage. The preaching service at the Lutheran church will also be conducted by Rev. Marchis at ten o'clock on Sunday-mornings.

M. Dinda and sister Miss Helen attended the lecture on the Missouri Synod by Rev. Wilder of Montgomery Ala., at the First English Lutheran church in Orlando Friday evening.

Twenty-five carloads of celery shipped from the celery farms of Slavia to date with many more "boxed and ready" for shipping at an early date.

E. L. Croom received the special message from Bowling Green Saturday morning, that his mother had passed away Friday night. Mr. Croom was stricken with paralysis several months ago, but had so far recovered from that, as to be able to be up and out again. The cause of her sudden death was not learned.

Mr. E. L. Croom and family left Saturday morning for Bowling Green. They have the sympathy of the entire community to their sad loss.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Parker and Mr. and Mrs. Clark Mathers were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Collicutt Wednesday evening.

Prof. and Mrs. Gifford and Mr. A. R. Collicutt spent Thursday afternoon at the C. S. Mathers home on Bear Gully Lake.

Seven members from here attended the rehearsal of the Orlando orchestra at the home of Mrs. T. W. Lawton in Oviedo Thursday evening.

## Y. Plans Program At Paola Tonight

A Y. M. C. A. community night entertainment will be staged this evening at the Paola school, according to an announcement this morning by C. D. Wolfe, county supervisor, under whose direction the program will be given.

The entertainment is scheduled to begin at 7:30 o'clock. It will consist of stunts staged by the boys, readings, moving pictures, a talk by Mr. Wolfe and remarks by parents. A cordial invitation to the public is extended by Mr. Wolfe, who reports that similar entertainments elsewhere in the county have attracted large audiences.

The Winter Park Fire Department awakened most every night about the Winter Park-Oviedo highway Sunday morning, enroute to assist in extinguishing the fire of the Oviedo Hotel. They arrived too late however to save the building, which with all the contents was burned to the ground.

The Coleman home now owned by Mr. Wheeler and Dr. Lichtenstein will be occupied this summer by Mr. Hawkins.

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## Daily Fashion Hint



### GOOD-LOOKING PAJAMAS

Striped madras is used for this model, 4 1/2 yards 36 inches wide being required. The coat has an undergarment to finish its neck and front edges, while applied cuffs trim the long one-piece sleeves. A draw-string is inserted through the hem at the upper edge of the trousers.

### Prevent Flu--- Check All Colds The Modern Way

Families in Sanford Urged To Be Careful

While grip and influenza are so prevalent local people are urged to use this modern way of checking little colds before they become big.

Have a jar of Vicks VapoRub on hand ready for instant use at the first sign of every cold. When rubbed on throat and chest, or sniffed up the nose Vicks releases its ingredients in the form of medicated vapors which are breathed in direct to the infected parts.

In addition Vicks acts like a poultice and thus helps the vapors inhaled to break up the congestion. To prevent colds lowering the vitality and thus paving the way for flu and pneumonia, they should be treated direct and instantly as you would an infected finger.

## DUNDEE TO DEFEAT TITTLE

**NEW YORK, Mar. 20.**—(INS)—Joe Dundee will defend his welterweight title against Ace Hudkins at Madison Square Garden here either on April 30 or May 4. These tentative dates were set by matchmaker Jess McMahon after Dundee's manager Max Waxman, had been reinstated by the New York State Athletic Commission.

### Calls Humans Radio Sets

That radio-telegraphy and mental telegraphy seems to be identical processes, is the declaration of Abbe Moreaux, one of the greatest Roman Catholic scientists in France. "Scientists," he said recently, "think today that the various waves in the atmosphere

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for in \$50 bills.

The first witness this morning was Lewis, who testified that Mr. Lake gave a \$50 bill for a similar amount in poker chips and that he turned the bill over to Dr. Stevens by request. He said he was a steward at the Elks Club, where he said the party took place, but he did not know on what date, nor could he give any idea as to the time of the reference to the failure of the bank.

Dr. Epps testified that a party was given at his home several days after Sept. 12 and that Dr. Stevens was present as a guest and the Lewis as caterer. Dr. Stevens played the game of the Epps' party as either Sept. 15 or 16 and the poker party either on Sept. 16 or 17.

Mr. Collum was recalled to testify that during the course of clearance negotiations between First National officers and Mr. Lake and Mr. Key on Friday, August 5, 1927, that he had actually seen Mr. Lake in possession of a certain \$5,700, which had figured prominently in the transactions, and which was said to have included the sum of \$5,500 in \$50 and \$100 bills.

By recalling Mr. Whitner, the state sought to establish that Mr. Lake had not secured a loan at the First National Bank on Sept. 13, 1927 as defense had intimated the night before during its cross examination of Mr. Collum. The defense interposed an objection and the court sustained the objection upon the grounds that it was negative testimony and evidence that comes within the province of the defense to produce.

Prevented from introducing this testimony, the state rested. Cross-examination of Mr. Collum was delayed until the afternoon session to enable Mr. Palmer to review the testimony of the night before.

The state began the presentation of its case shortly after 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, placing on the stand as the first witness, E. L. Burdick, deputy clerk of the circuit court, who identified a charter from the state of Florida and a certificate from the comptroller authorizing the Seminole County Bank to do business.

The two documents were placed in evidence without objection from defense counsel, except that Mr. Palmer noted that the particular charter was not the one under which the bank was doing business at the time of its close, declaring that a new one had been issued to the institution several years ago. The state minimized the importance of this fact, announcing that its only purpose in the testimony was to establish the location and the kind of business engaged in by the bank.

The prosecution's second witness was Raymond C. Phillips, head teller of the Seminole County Bank, who testified that he had for the past several years kept an account of the currency in the bank. He identified slips showing the denomination of currency and the total amount of money in the vault on the days of August 3, 4 and 5, 1927. These were placed into evidence by the prosecution, with objections offered by the defense, the courts overruling the objections.

By Mr. Phillips testimony the state established that on Friday, August 5, the day before the bank's failure, the total amount of money in the vault at the close of business was \$17,028.24. Questioned as to the denomination of the currency, the witness testified from the vault slips that no bills of the denomination of \$50 and \$100 were contained in the currency. The witness said he placed the currency in a chest and the other money in a cash drawer in the vault between 3 and 4 o'clock Friday afternoon.

On Saturday morning, the day the institution failed to open for business, the teller said he opened the vault shortly after 8 o'clock and brought out the money and placed it in the cage as was his custom. Later, the witness testified, he was informed that the bank would not open for business and he returned the money to its place in the vault. He said he remained in the bank until shortly after the noon hour when he went to lunch.

On the following Monday morning, Mr. Phillips testified that in the company of a bank examiner he went to the bank, where the vault was opened and the money counted. This time it totalled \$16,976.75, or \$52.49 less than on Friday afternoon, August 5, when the witness said was the last time he counted and checked the cash on hand. In addition the teller revealed that while there were no \$50 or \$100 bills on Friday, but that there were \$1,500 in \$50 bills on Monday morning.

Under cross-examination the witness admitted that the cash included cash "in cash" as checks that had not been cashed but were being held to prevent overdrafts in the accounts of depositors. In response to questions of Mr. Palmer of the defense, the witness testified that he never saw Mr. Lake open the vault doors nor the chest.

Under further examination by Mr. Smith for the state, Mr. Phil-

lips declared that both Mr. Lake and Key had access to the vault and reiterated that there were no \$50 and \$100 bills on Friday afternoon but that there was \$1,500 in \$50 bills on Monday following the bank failure.

The prosecution introduced Sherman Drawdy, state bank examiner, to corroborate the testimony of Mr. Phillips. Mr. Drawdy testified that he took charge of the bank about 1:30 o'clock on Saturday, August 6. When he entered the bank, he said he found the Mr. Lake, M. E. Hutton, Truman Mandy, head bookkeeper and several other employees. He testified that he noticed the bank's books were on the counters and that he placed these in the vault, locking the door and placing a seal on the door with the bank examiner's name on it.

On the following Monday morning, Mr. Drawdy testified that he found the seal unbroken and that he and Mr. Phillips checked the cash and currency. He verified the figures given by Mr. Phillips, showing that \$1,500 in currency of the denomination of \$50 were found in the money chest. Mr. Drawdy's report for this transaction was submitted and placed in evidence.

Under cross-examination, the witness testified that Mr. Lake, Mr. Hutton and Mr. Mundy were the only persons in the bank when he took charge whose names he could recall. He said he did not remember seeing A. R. Key, cashier, nor Peter Schaal, a teller. He said that both the vault and the money chest were locked when he returned to the bank Monday morning.

With the groundwork of its case laid in the afternoon session, the state next night delved into the main part of the testimony by introducing A. F. Collum and B. F. Whitner, Sr., head teller and cashier, respectively, of the First National Bank. Mr. Collum took the stand as the first witness after court reconvened at 8:00 o'clock. He recited a story of transactions between the First National Bank, and Lake and Key representing the Seminole County Bank, that fairly electrified the court room spectators.

The testimony of Mr. Collum apparently was as much a bombshell to the defense attorneys as it was to the audience. Mr. Palmer interposed several objections to the line of questioning and to the manner of answering, and interrupted the witness on other occasions. To one of his objections, State's Attorney Mildred B. Smith retorted:

"If you will leave the witness alone, he'll tell the story and explain the whole thing. He's not a witness and I should have the right to examine him first."

In testifying, Mr. Collum spoke with such rapidity that he had told his story before the spectators had fully recovered from his first disclosure. Cautioned by the court to speak more slowly, he recounted his testimony in answer to questions propounded by Mr. Smith.

On Friday, August 5, Mr. Collum testified that clearance between the two banks were attempted on four occasions, beginning at 4:25 o'clock, the time ordinarily set for such transactions, and lasting until that night about 8:20 o'clock. He said the amount of First National checks against the Seminole totaled \$29,511.81 and that the Seminole amount was about \$8,000. Attempting to clear at the usual time, Mr. Collum said Mr. Lake and Mr. Key, representing the Seminole, made known their inability to clear the entire \$29,000 by cash. He said that he paid over to the Seminole bankers the sum of slightly more than \$5,700, of which \$5,500 was in \$50 and \$100 bills.

Later in the afternoon he testified that Mr. Lake and Mr. Key returned to the First National with a proposition to clear by offering the \$5,700 given them by Mr. Collum, added to \$13,000 in foreign checks and drafts of \$1,700 and \$7,000 in the Atlantic National Bank of Jacksonville and the Chase National Bank of New York City. These four items, Mr. Collum pointed out, would take care of the First National checks against the Seminole of slightly more than \$29,000.

The proposition was accepted. Mr. Collum testified, with the understanding that the two drafts in question would be made payable the following morning at the First National's correspondent in Jacksonville, the Florida National Bank.

In accordance with the understanding, Mr. Collum said he took the checks and the \$5,700 and placed them in the vault.

Shortly thereafter, the witness testified that Mr. Lake and Mr. Key returned with the information that the clearance could not be handled if payment of the drafts was to be demanded the next morning. Accordingly, the witness said the drafts, foreign checks and the \$5,700 were returned to the Seminole Bank officials.

About 7:30 o'clock that night the witness testified, Mr. Lake and Mr. Key came back with a proposition to clear only the local checks which amounted to \$8,010.83. This was accepted, and the teller again received the \$5,700, he said. Within a few minutes, according to the witness, Mr. Lake and Mr. Key returned with the statement that "if they couldn't clear the total amount, they wouldn't clear any."

transaction.

Mr. Collum testified that this last transaction took place about 8:30 o'clock Friday night, August 5. He said that he had counted the money that had passed back and forth between the parties on five occasions.

Questioned further, he said that on four occasions within several weeks after the bank's failure he had cashed either \$50 or \$100 bills for Mr. Lake and recalled that in one instance he had made out a cashier's check for the banker for \$2,500 which was paid for largely in either \$50 or \$100 bills.

Mr. Palmer sought by cross-examination to discredit the witness's testimony as relating to the denominations of the bills in question. The witness admitted that he could not say for certain that there were any \$100 bills in the package of \$5,700 given Mr. Lake and Mr. Key, but that he did remember there were \$50 bills. He accounted for his uncertainty by explaining that \$50 and \$100 bills were done up together in bundles of \$500 and that no other denominations were handled in a like manner.

Pressed further by Mr. Palmer, Mr. Collum said he could not identify the bills by numbers and he could not tell by any mark that the bills which Mr. Lake presented after the bank closed were the same ones which had figured in the now famous \$5,700 transaction on the day before the Seminole failure.

R. F. Whitner, cashier of the First National, was called to corroborate the testimony of Mr. Collum. He said that all the clearance negotiations had taken place in the president's office with himself, Mr. Forster, Mr. Lake, Mr. Key and Mr. Collum present. He verified the final transaction of the day as explained by Mr. Collum and said Mr. Lake and Mr. Key left the bank with the money in their possession.

Pressed by Mr. Palmer, the banker said he could not say which one actually picked up the money and carried it away, but that he did know that the two of them went away with it. The defense deputed to get the witness to say that Mr. Key took it but the witness demurred.

"Well then, wouldn't Mr. Key as the cashier, be the one most likely to handle the money?" insisted Mr. Palmer.

"Not necessarily," replied the witness.

W. W. Lewis, negro caterer, was next called in an effort to trace the disposition of some of the \$50 bills, which Mr. Lake is accused of taking away from the bank on the day of its failure. With an objection by Mr. Palmer, the witness was sent from the room while the question of admissibility of the witness's testimony was argued.

Lewis testified that at a certain poker party at the Elks Club he was asked by Dr. R. E. Stevens to change a \$50 bill for Mr. Lake, who was said to have had \$9,000 in \$50 bills, with him. The witness said Dr. Stevens asked him to let him (the doctor) have the bill in question in exchange for some other bill.

Asked for the date of the party, the witness became evasive and reluctant to testify. He said he could not tell whether it was before Mr. Lake went to Philadelphia or after he returned and that he did not recall whether it was the day of the failure. The following week or some time later, the state sought to establish by the witness that the poker party was the next night after a party at the home of Dr. Epps, but the negro was vague and uncertain as to the date.

Didn't you tell Mr. Falsinski and myself yesterday afternoon that this poker party took place the night after the party at Dr. Epps'?" inquired Mr. Smith.

"No sir, I did not," replied the negro.

The witness was dismissed and Dr. Stevens was summoned. After a delay of 20 minutes, the doctor failed to put in his appearance and the court took a recess.

The little court room was packed, with standing room barely available. Many women were in the audience and the spectators listened attentively as each word gave evidence of more sensational developments to come. The testimony of Mr. Collum had come as a great surprise, but the revelation of the poker party served to increase the interest of the crowd to the highest pitch.

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They had an agreement with the Union," "How did these operators abrogate the agreement?" asked Senator Watson (R) of Indiana, chairman. "By passing wage reductions and evicting the miners who refused to be party to breaking their agreement," explained Bittner. "And also by the court action."

### RECORD SHOWS CONFUSION OF PRE-WAR DAYS

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lansador Gerard, in Berlin, for a German-American treaty as late as July 18, 1924—five days before the Austrian declaration of war on Serbia.

Europe began her mad dance of death on her powder trail on June 28. When the Austrian Archduke Francis Ferdinand was assassinated by pan-Slav fanatics at Sarajevo, Bosnia, not until 5 P. M. on July 31 did it seem telegraphically to the principal American Embassies in Europe for daily reports on the developments in the "military, political, and financial situation."

"Regret telegram from parliamentary group arrived after war declared," was Bryan's response to a cable from the Inter-parliamentary Union, on Aug. 3, for vigorous American representations in behalf of peace.

"This is the third day I have asked an answer to this question," Gerard called preemptorily from Berlin at noon Aug. 2, twenty-four hours after Germany had declared war on Russia. He had sought permission to take over the German Embassy properties in the countries already in the war.

"It looks as if Europe were in the clutch of blind forces," Sir Edward Grey, British foreign minister told Ambassador Page on July 31—five days before the British declaration of war on Germany.

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from the American Charge at Peking, informed Bryan that British naval vessels in the Orient were being assembled at the Wei-Hai-Wei Base, "where the more powerful vessels are being concentrated with a view to possible action by Germany."

On July 30, the American Vice Consul Bandy had telegraphed from Kingston Jamaica: "Jamaican forts manned; regiments hurried to Kingston today." A message from Grand White, minister at Bogota, dated on Aug. 11, informed in strict confidence that the King of England in personal message to the King of the Belgians, not yet made public, has given formal assurance of support in event of German invasion.

No attempt was made by the American State Department to keep the various diplomatic agents abroad informed of developments in countries other than their own. Bryan asked Page on July 28, three hours after receiving Herrick's message to Wilson, if there

appeared "any likelihood" that American good offices would be accepted. His suggestion was not forwarded to any other country. Page did not reply until 6 P. M. August 3, Germany in the meantime having declared war on Russia.

"My very definite opinion," he said, "is that there is not the slightest chance of any result if our good offices be offered at any continental capital. This result is confirmed by the judgment of the British Foreign Office. We may have a chance after the war has reached a breathing spell."

The most daring message to the central powers is one from Gerard to Bryan in Feb. 1914, giving the American Ambassador's ideas as to why Germany was reluctant to enter negotiations for an arbitration treaty. This was months before war was dreamed of on this side of the Atlantic.

"Find public opinion here against treaty," Gerard said. "To sign would be to throw away the advantage Germany has as the result of

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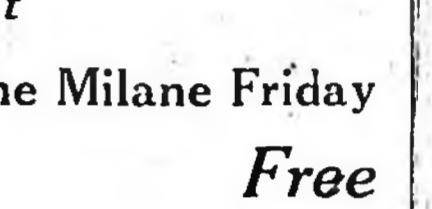
great sacrifices in being European nations ready for immediate and active help in war."

Unsettled by the crashing of the world about his head, Bryan labored on with the working of signing his treaties of arbitration and conciliation, and his moment of triumph came on Aug. 14—just as the first popples took bloom in Flanders Fields.

"Eighteen treaties ratified yesterday," he explained in a cable to Page. "Is G. not Britain disposed to sign treaty when approval columns received or does she prefer to wait until war is over?"

Bryan did not drop the proposed Germany-American treaty until Aug. 21—when the German armistice were 12 1/2 hours than half way through Belgium—on which date he received the following message from Ambassador Gerard: "Story to repeat today," he explained in a cable no hope for peace."

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