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SOCiETY BRiDE'S ARREST
REVEALS NATIONAL NEST OF SLAVERY IN DENVER

Quartet Held in Kansas City
Said to Be Part of the
Opium Ring.

FORMER MISS BERTHA M'ARIJES IS VICTIM OF CONSPIRACY That LEADS GIRLS TO RUIN

A. T. Martin, Her Husband, and Author 'Stuckin' Moore and His Wife Jailed by U. S. Agents,
Who Bare Tremendous Foul

[By ATLiON DUNPHI]

FROM out the shadows of Denver's underworld, from out the dark underbelly of the city's social scene, there comes under the霓り影 whose branches stretch across the city to the edges of the horizon, a group of women who are known as the "opium ring." These women, who form the nucleus of the organization, are said to be the leaders of the group.

The charges against them are of a nature so serious that it is difficult to believe they are not true. They are said to be members of a gang of boys, who, using various aliases, have been operating in Denver for many years. Their activities are said to be of a nature that brings discredit upon the city.

The report is that the girls are not only operated upon, but that they are also used for purposes of extortion. It is said that they have been using the girls as a means of collecting money from the men who visit the girls.

LAW LEAVES 3,000 DENVER DRUG SLAVES SWINGING ABOVE THE FLAMES OF HELL

Torments of Damned Suffered by Men and Women Who Are Robbed of Opportunities

By New Federal Statutes, and County Hospital Is Crowned With Victims

To Be Drowned, While More Fortunate Have Fled Into Wild Mexico.

[By FREMONT WAYNE]

A little blood means, with golden hair, vice gone, despair playing in the hollow cheeks, and a blackened face, this girl is a. victim of the opium ring. She is one of those who have been forced to go to work to support the family.

She is not alone. There are thousands of others, who, through no fault of their own, are victims of the same evil.

WIFE OF SLAIN MAN MAY RIDDLE CONFESSION OF MRS. BEERS AS 'FRAMED' TO SAVE HUSBAND

Mrs. Hopkins to Defend
Dead Man's Character
And Produce Notes.

Rutherford, N. J., March 3--Mrs. Hopkins, wife of the late John Hopkins, was today sentenced to five years in the State Penitentiary, on a charge of perjury.

The case is a sad one, for it brings to light the fact that the dead man was an innocent person, and that his wife was tried and convicted for his murder. It is a case that should serve as a warning to all women, that they should not go to the police for help in such cases.

BIG AMMUNITION STORES FOR EUROPEAN COUNTRIES MENACE TO LA TOURNAI

Last Wireless Report Says the Fire Is Fierce, but Adds No Further Details.

FIVE SHIPS NOW ARE HASTENING TO RESCUE OF VESSEL THAT LEFT NEW YORK SATURDAY

Most of the 84 Passengers Are Americans and They Include a Party of Nurses and Doctors On Route

To the American Ambulance in Paris.

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London (28 p.m.), March 3--Stehind La Tournaie is a fire at Hinckley 4536 north and longitude 2481 east, west of New York, a. vessel of about 2000 tons, under the command of Captain Hinchley, is in imminent danger.

The vessel was last heard from at 9 a.m. on March 3, and it is feared that the fire has now reached the ship.

The wireless message was forwarded to the American Ambulance in Paris, and the vessel was ordered to be towed to safety.

Four Men Shot Dead in Street
And 20 Wounded by Murderer

Brampton, Ont., March 3--Four men, including E. P. Hackett, a prominent attorney, were shot and killed, and five others were wounded, when a bullet was shot into a crowd of people who were assembled in the street. Philip was killed by a patrolman.

The shooting took place in the middle of the street, and the bullet was shot into a group of people who were assembled in the street. The police were called, and they arrived on the scene in time to save the lives of the wounded.

JOHN C. OSGOOD GAINS CONTROL OF BOUTT COUNTY COAL MINES

Victror-American Fuel Company is to Manage and Market the Output of Oak Creek Mines Through
"Working Agreement" With Their Owners.

The Victor-American Fuel Company, of which John C. Osgood is president, has effected a "working agreement" with the Smith Coal & Fuel company, under which the Victor company will operate the mines of the latter coal and fuel company, the company

Theory of Prosecution in That Woman Invented Tale Three Jealousy.

Mrs. Simpson, at the trial yesterday, testified in the murder case of Mrs. Beers, that she was told by Mrs. Beers that her husband was innocent of the murder, and that he had been framed. Mrs. Simpson's testimony was examined by the prosecution, and it was found that her statement was true.

U. S. MAIL TO ENGLAND CUT OFF FOR FIRST TIME IN THIRTY YEARS

New York Merchants in Panic to Make Ships Sailing Today.

Next Vessel Will Leave From Portland, Maine, March 13.