

Lawyer, Detective Tangle At Adams' Murder Trial

By EDDY GILMORE
LONDON (AP)—One of Britain's most brilliant lawyers tangled Tuesday with one of the world's greatest detectives at the murder trial of Dr. John Bodkin Adams. Defence counsel Geoffrey Lawrence and Scotland Yard's Herbert (The Duke) Hannam duelled for 77 minutes in a dramatic thrust and slash of court room cross-examination.

Dr. Adams, accused of murdering a rich widow, Mrs. Edith Morrell, watched almost spellbound from the prisoner's box as the two able protagonists battled over vital evidence.

Lawrence launched into Hannam by trying to trip him up.

"You say you first interviewed Dr. Adams in the evening," said the sharp-tongued barrister, "but your deposition says it was in the morning."

LOFTY DISDAIN

The hawk-faced detective looked down from the witness box and replied with lofty disdain:

"This is not quite correct. If you will read my deposition carefully you will find that it says p.m."

Lawrence peered at his papers and replied:

"Perhaps you are right."

"It is not perhaps," said Hannam, "I am right."

For the last six days of the trial Lawrence had all but wiped the floor with his relentless cross-examination of crown witnesses.

But, Hannam was different. He is known as the most accom-

plished giver of evidence in the long history of Scotland Yard. He lectures European police schools on the subject—in two foreign languages that he taught himself.

British lawyers usually treat Hannam gently in cross-examination. Lawrence, apparently, had decided to be tough.

LONG QUESTION

The defence lawyer asked Hannam a long, involved question.

"The answer to the first part of your question is 'yes' said the detective, "and the answer to the second part is 'no.'"

The barrister changed the subject and asked the Scotland Yard man about statements Adams is alleged to have made when charged with Mrs. Morrell's murder.

"Actually," said Lawrence raising his voice and staring at the detective, "Dr. Adams gave you only a few casual answers."

"No, sir," boomed the sleuth. "He was most loquacious! He was dogmatic . . ."

Lawrence tried to halt the detective.

"He was a very, very shaken man, he was distressed . . ."

"Very well, very well," cut in the barrister, hoping to shut Hannam up.

"I want to help you all I can, sir," smiled the detective.

By this time all 12 jurors—10 men and two women—were following Hannam's every word.

RAISES ANOTHER POINT

Lawrence next questioned Hannam about Dr. Adams' actions as he was being taken from his home

to a police cell.

"Dr. Adams and his receptionist grasped hands," said the detective, "and Dr. Adams said, 'I'll see you in heaven.'"

Lawrence disagreed and denied the doctor ever used the words—"see you in heaven."

"But he did, sir," insisted Hannam. "They were his very words: You must allow me to be exact about these things. I prefer them to be accurate."

Lawrence asked Hannam to whom the physician addressed the words—"I'll see you in heaven."

As the detective sought to reply, the defence lawyer said:

"Were they addressed to police officers?"

The detective raised his eyebrows, wrinkled his sharp nose and replied with an air of condescension:

"I should not think that for a moment, sir."

Lawrence shrugged his shoulders and said he had no more questions to ask.

As the immaculately dressed sleuth left the witness box the crowd of barristers who had come from other cases to hear the detective, smiled and whispered to one another.

A new chapter had been added to the Hannam story, one that is almost becoming a legend—of his self-assurance, his perfect diction, his ability to link on his feet and his near contempt for lawyers who make more money for one case than he does in a year.



WINNING CHARACTER STUDY

A sightless musician, Mr. Mont Warren, was the subject of the winning entry in the "Character Study" competition for Class B of the Charlottetown Camera Club, the print being submitted by Vera Beck. The judge, Bob Donnelly, selected prints by Edith Hume and Helen Duffey for second and third places respectively.

Plans for the fourth annual Prince Edward Island Salon of Photography—April 28 to May 4, inclusive—were discussed at considerable length. Rules and regulations will be the same as for the last salon except that this year all prints must be on 16 x 20 mounts in order to be eligible. A committee was chosen to arrange for publicity and to have new copies of the rules available within a few days as it is now but three weeks to the deadline for entries, April 18th.

A panel of four Class A members discussed "Close-up Lenses". Several other items on the agenda were postponed because of lack of time.

EASTERN GUARDIAN

The regular meeting of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Montague Hospital will be held at the home of Mrs. L.H. Poole at 8:00 p.m. March 29th instead of April 5th. Shires of Europe will be shown. Each member is asked to bring a guest.

PERSONALS

Mr. Fred MacDougall was a visitor to the city on Wednesday.

Miss Anna MacLean spent the weekend at her home in Valleyfield.

Miss Norma Scott spent Sunday in Charlottetown, the guest of Elizabeth Gillie and Florence Murray.

Miss Joanne Watterworth, student nurse at the P.E.I. Hospital is spending her vacation at her home in Montague.

Friends of Mr. W.H. MacKenzie, Victoria Cross, are pleased to hear he is convalescing satisfactorily following his recent illness in the P.E.I. Hospital.

LITTLE SANDS

Farmers in these parts have just completed saving their years supply of firewood and the wood piles are all fairly large. This winter was a far better winter than last year for lumbering operations, due to heavy frosts and freezings of swamps etc, and less snow.

M. Bruce MacPherson motored to Charlottetown on Friday and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Angus MacPherson, who are employed in the city, accompanied him home to Little Sands for a weekend visit at their home in Little Sands. Bruce conveyed his parents back to the city on Sunday.

Mrs. Carrie Blue, Charlottetown, also visited friends in Little Sands over the weekend.

Mr. Malcolm Gillis has returned from a few days in the P. E. I. Hospital. Mr. Gillis had an accident while working in the saw mill of Mr. Hector Stewart's Wood Island, and had his hand badly cut with a saw. Mr. Gillis and

PUBLIC FORUM

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are or what they are doing. The day I was in Charlottetown I happened to meet one of these men on Grafton street who takes a beer or a wine. He was some advertisement for the Garden of the Gulf. I did well to get by him without leaving the sidewalk as he certainly travelled in uncertain directions. I thought sadly to myself, he's somebody's son.

I had a personal experience when a long distance from home in a city riding along when suddenly a car crashed into ours. You know what follows. Police are at the scene. The driver of the other car was intoxicated. I, like many others in our Dominion, suffered the consequences. The hospital was my next stop; result broken bones. When the man became sober he felt very badly when he heard I was an Islander as his father was an Islander. I almost felt worse for the father than myself.

What most tourists want is the peaceful countryside where they meet friendly people and relax. Roadside tables and seats are quite an attraction; just tables and seats near a spring or stream if possible. They like to stop and lunch and children like to romp in the open countryside and they love to fish. Parks are also a great attraction, also a museum; but not alcohol.

When a man or woman starts social drinking and later often becomes an alcoholic they often take them to Falconwood or somewhere to try to get them back to normal. Let us not be the cause of any more of these cases, else we will have to ask the Government to build a special building to keep them in.

I am Sir, etc.

ONE INTERESTED.

Albany P. E. I.

BRISTOL

Mr. Frank Dunphy has entered the Charlottetown Hospital for treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Billie McGrath were in the city on Friday on business. Mr. McGrath spent several years in the armed services.

Mrs. John C. McCarthy, has returned home from the Charlottetown Hospital in much better health. She was a patient there for some weeks.

Mr. Joe MacDonald who has been in the Charlottetown Hospital for several weeks suffering an old army back trouble, is still there despite the fact he has been slated for removal to Camp Hill hospital at Halifax, for treatment in the veteran's section.

Mr. Ed. Burns has been spending some time in the city with members of his family this winter.

Fishermen here are casting longing eyes towards the shoreline now with the thought of getting new traps and other equipment moved down for the opening of the season.

GEORGETOWN

Mr. Lorne E. Higginbotham and Mr. Ray Machon of Montague were business visitors to Georgetown on Wednesday, 20th.

Mr. Walter Soloman and Mr. Stephen Scully motored to Charlottetown on Wednesday, 20th.

Mr. Edison Collins of Sturgeobush and Mr. Clarence Campbell of Alliston were recent business visitors to Georgetown.

Mr. C. A. Scully who for the past number of years has been assistant jailor of Kings County Jail at Georgetown has accepted a position with the Dominion Government Civil Service, on the maintenance staff of the Federal Building in Charlottetown.

Mr. Harold Dicks, who spent the winter with his parents, Captain and Mrs. Nelson Dicks, left on Wednesday, March 20th to resume his duties as a crew member of the car ferry Abegweit.

Mr. Patrick Murphy and Mrs. Archie Wight were recent visitors to the city.

Mr. Peter Dalton, rural mail courier, had a harrowing experience when on Monday morning he was attacked while attending to his horse in the stable. The animal grabbed Mr. Dalton with his teeth suspended above the floor, then jammed him against the side of the stall and finally kicked him in the back of the legs. Mr. Dalton is recuperating at his home from the effects of the unusual ordeal.

Mr. and Mrs. Pius Fitzpatrick of De Gros Marsh, visited relatives in Georgetown on Thursday, March 21st.

FANNING SCHOOL

The following is the semi-annual report:

Grade X. 1. Percy MacGougan, 2. Mabel Bearisto, 3. Winston Bryant.

Grade IX. 1. Clayton Shields, 2. Gloria Bryant.

Grade VIII. 1. Garth MacGougan, 2. Frances Bryant.

Grade VII. 1. Annie Ethel Bryant, 2. Claire MacNutt, 3. Willis Silliker.

Grade VI. 1. Edith MacGougan, 2. Charlotte MacGougan, 3. Jackie Bryant.

Highest average: Percy MacGougan 96.1 per cent.

Teacher, Alice D. Lockhart.

PRIMARY DEPT.

Grade V. 1. Allan MacNutt, 2. Ethel Wall, 3. Sandra Craig.

Grade IV. 1. Barbara Woodside, 2. Isabel MacNutt, 3. Norma Craig.

Grade III. 1. Barbara MacGougan, 2. Blaine Owen, 3. Evelyn Bryant.

Grade II. 1. Preston Silliker, 2. Garry MacNutt, 3. Robert Craig.

Grade I. 1. Lynne Lockhart, 2.

Attention Potato Producers

Reserve April 10th for Mass Meeting of Potato Producers and all those interested in the welfare of the Industry. A meeting will be held at 2:30 P.M. at the Clover Club. Watch for program which will be announced later.

POTATO PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION
OFF. P. E. I.

Prestressed Concrete Proves Its Worth For Mar. Bridges

HALIFAX (CP)—Prestressed concrete, used for the first time in Nova Scotia at the Nictaux dam site in Annapolis County, came through with "flying colors" during a test of a 14-foot span at the structures laboratory of Nova Scotia Technical College Friday.

Construction officials and engineers who attended the test predicted major use of this type of concrete structure in the Maritime provinces, particularly for highway bridges and piers.

The ability of prestressed concrete to withstand terrific strain far beyond its safety requirement and then return to normalcy after pressure is released is one of its major features.

Although it requires less but better concrete and steel, it is lighter than reinforced concrete and can be produced and transported to construction jobs.

The structure tested Friday at the technical college was similar to that used in construction of the deck structure over the openings of a spillway of the Nictaux dam.

The structure is 14 feet long, two feet six inches wide and three inches deep, with steel beams of seven by 4½ inches. It is designed to withstand a strain of 2,000 pounds.

Engineers of the technical college applied pressure at 1,000 pound intervals. The structure carried a load of 6,000 pounds before cracks were noticed. The pressure was increased to 12,000 pounds and several more cracks appeared. When the strain was released the cracks closed tightly.

The 14-foot span withstood a strain of 18,350 pounds, over nine times the safety margin, before a failure took place.

Dr. K. C. Whitman, Halifax consulting engineer who designed the structure, said the ultimate strength of the concrete tested was 13,400 pounds or a stress of 145,000 pounds to the square inch.

The tests were conducted by Dr. S. J. Mazur, associate professor of civil engineering, Nova Scotia Technical College, and senior engineering students.

Dr. Whitman said prestressed concrete being used for bridges in the United States with 25 to 125 foot spans and "its economy is pretty well established."

TIMELY NOTES ON FUR TOPICS

Chinchilla breeding has assumed quite good proportions in California and at the fourth National Chinchilla Show and the second National Mink Breeders' Association Chinchilla Breeders of America held last week, Somovia Chinchilla Ranch, Hollister, California, romped off with the fourth major awards. Somovia took prizes for the best and second best pelts in the show, the grand show championship award and first place breeders' award in the live animal show. The reserve grand show animal award in the live animal show was taken by J. W. Hunt, Jr., Champaign, Illinois. A banquet was given at the conclusion of the show and was attended by 250 people.

According to a release by the Federal Reserve Board of the United States, department stores sales of furs in 1956 were 5 per cent higher than in 1955. Mutation Mink Breeders' Association of the United States has issued a 35 page booklet entitled All About Mink, for distribution to retailers and manufacturers as a selling aid. The booklet is edited with a question and answer format highlighted by a series of sketches. The contents run the gamut from birth of a mink through selection of the finished garment.

Japan exported 382,800 undressed mink signs to the United States in 1956 compared with a high of 478,300 in 1955. A collection of approximately 70,000 EMBA mutation mink will be offered at American Fur Auctions April 1st.

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Reg. T.M.

Other quantities to be offered included 10,000 mutation mink for mid-West mink breeders and fox mostly for the account of American Fox Breeders' Association. It will be interesting to see what silver fox will sell for.

At Lakewood, Colorado, a two-skin "natural" ranch mink scarf is being given away "free" with the purchase of \$250 or more worth of furniture at Furniture City, The of states "Your dream of a beautiful home and a magnificent mink comes true." . . . The quantities for sale at Canadian Fur Auction Sales Co. (Quebec) Ltd., for the sale of March 21-22 were as follows: 5,500 wild mink, 30,000 standard and mutation mink, 40,000 muskrat, 15,000 ermine, 10,000 raccoon, 500 fisher, 8,000 beaver and 1,500 otter.

Paul L. Reinhardt, Fur breeder of Burlington, Wis., well known to Fox and mink ranchers throughout the Maritimes, writes to Women's Wear Daily as follows:

"I have just returned from a trip to Europe and would like to make the following observations of interest to the American Fur industry. I was impressed by the interest in mink, the lack of knowledge about mink, the limited number of women wearing mink, but most of all, the almost unbelievable fame of EMBA mutation mink. . . There can be doubt that there is a great deal of prosperity in Central Europe. . . I was especially impressed with the jewelry and couldn't help but think that where such fabulous (and) sold, there must be sufficient wealth to absorb important quantities of fine mink. That this potential market has only barely been scratched is easily proved by observing the people in famous dining places, concert halls and opera houses."

NORWAY

And here's an account of the latest sale of the Oslo Fur Auction Company at Oslo, Norway: 66,000 pastel mink was 90 per cent sold; males averaged 138 Norwegian kroner with a top price of 270; females had an average of 66 and

a top of 100: A collection of 8,000 silverblu was 85 per cent sold. Males averaged 129 kroner with a top of 230; females averaged 72 with a top of 120. An offering of 4,000 sapphires was 90 per cent sold; Males averaged 222 kroner with a top of 130. White males brought 340 kroner, females 175; silverblu males 400, female 190. The Norwegian kroner is worth about fourteen cents. Pastel buying was dominated to a great extent by United States buyers. Buying of silverblu, sapphires and other mutations was more equally divided between the United States and Europe.

NEGLECTANCE

John Patrick of Pompeii, a fur farmer near St. John's, Michigan, won a \$50,000 judgment against a local drug firm in Clinton County Circuit Court, based on the list of 1,074 mink of his fur farm. A jury returned the verdict. Mr. Patrick had charged that an insecticide, recommended by Victor E. Stephens and purchased from Hunt's Drug Store to dust breeding nests for elimination of lice killed the mink. Testimony was offered that mink in two undusted nests did not die. The insecticide was a rotenone compound that defendants contended was safe. Plaintiff's counsel said the compound was not registered or labeled as a poison and it was charged that negligence

existed in preparation and labeling of the drug.

Defendants denied any warranty was implied or expressed, but said that the compound was known to be safe for the uses intended. A veterinarian testifying for the defense said the mink's death might have been due to heat prostration or pneumonia. He testified that the nests in which the mink did not die were of a different type construction than those where the heavy mortality occurred. It was admitted by plaintiff that no autopsies to establish exact cause of death were undertaken at the time of the deaths.

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