

District court today on charges of overloading their vehicles.

Joseph H. Fichera, 33, 44 French st., Methuen, doing business as Fichera Poultry and Grain Co. that town, was fined \$60 on a charge that his truck was overloaded to the extent of 6,000 pounds. His brother, Alfred R. Fichera, 42, 22 Milk st., Methuen, driver of the truck, had a similar charge filed.

John L. Mento, 41, 1137 Washington st., South Braintree, was fined \$60 on a charge that his truck was overloaded by 6,800 pounds. Charles F. Dowling, 37, 771 Dudley st., Dorchester, driver of the truck, had a similar charge filed.

The two Methuen men were represented by Atty. Vincent C. Manzi, Lawrence, who asked the court to file the charges stating that the insurance agent was responsible and that the defendants were guilty only of a technicality. Manzi said the truck had the capacity to carry the load found by Inspector Arthur Finegan, of the Registry of Motor Vehicles but that the insurance agent had not recorded the proper weight limit.

Joseph V. Dennehy, 40, 52 How st., was sentenced to 30 days in the house of correction when he pleaded guilty to a charge of drunkenness—the 12th in a year.

Peter H. Welch, 54, 78 Cedar st., also pleaded guilty to a charge of drunkenness and was fined \$5, suspended until Sept. 5.

In a private hearing, Richard D. Winning, 30, 521 Salem st., North Andover, was placed on probation until Feb. 6, for a morals offense at Georgetown.

Race Question Would Be Dropped

BOSTON (UP)—A proposal to abolish the American Bar Association's practice of inquiring into a membership applicant's race was sent today to the ABA's board of governors for further consideration.

The house of delegates concurred with the ABA assembly in sending the thorny issue to the board of governors. The action came at the close of the ABA's diamond jubilee convention here.

The matter arose in a resolution submitted by Atty. Howard S. Whiteside of Boston. His resolution urged that the race question be removed from membership applications.

The resolution was turned down by the committee on resolutions. But the assembly overruled the committee yesterday with the understanding the entire matter would be referred to the governors.

Earlier, William J. Jameson of Billings, Mont., was sworn in as the 77th president of the association.

14-year-old sister. Dist. Atty. George E. Thompson said the shooting, stabbing and attempted cremation of Mary DiRocco last Monday was "not a case to warrant the death penalty."

"I have decided not to charge the girl with first degree murder," the Middlesex County prosecutor said last night after the pretty brunette stenographer pleaded innocent to a murder charge in district court.

Thompson's recommendation will carry great weight when the case is presented Sept. 9 to the Middlesex County Grand Jury. Second degree murder carries a penalty of 20 years to life imprisonment and the maximum sentence for manslaughter in Massachusetts is 20 years.

Miss McDonald said in a signed confession following her arrest in New York Tuesday that she shot the DiRocco girl in a blind rage when the child taunted her about her brother's happy marriage to another woman.

The innocent plea late yesterday came as a surprise after a new defense lawyer apparently scrapped his predecessor's plan to ask for an immediate psychiatric examination.

Miss McDonald, who fainted before her arraignment and had to be revived by a jail matron, will have an opportunity to plead again at her superior court arraignment expected Sept. 10.

A preliminary examination of the .22 caliber revolver found in Miss McDonald's YWCA room in New York tentatively confirmed the admitted fact that it was the murder weapon.

Young Wellesley Woman Missing

MARBLEHEAD, Mass. (UP)—Miss Penelope Protze, 18-year-old attractive blonde from Wellesley Hills, was reported missing here today.

Police said the girl had been working at the Eastern Yacht Club at Marblehead Neck, Tuesday night she left by bicycle to visit an aunt, Miss Emily Thorner, here.

When she failed to arrive, Miss Thorner assumed she had gone to Wellesley Hills. A checkup disclosed that she had disappeared.

The girl was described in a police broadcast as "an attractive, blue-eyed blonde with wavy hair; five feet, six inches tall, 135 pounds."

Miss Protze is the second Wellesley girl to be reported missing this week. The other, Miss Sylvia Plath, 20, Smith college student, was found in the cellar of her own home after an organized search.

France and Soviet Russia—agreed today to abolish their controls over Austrian communications.

"It is one of the most far-reaching decisions in recent years," an American informant said.

Under the agreement effective next Tuesday the Austrian government will be given control of internal and international postal, telegraph, telephone, radio and teletype communication.

In addition, the four-power occupation council agreed on measures to carry out their decision of Aug. 14 to abolish their censorship in Austria.

Austria remains an occupied country more than eight years after the war, even though it is not classed as a wartime enemy country, because Soviet Russia has blocked every attempt to conclude a treaty restoring the sovereignty and independence which it lost when Nazi Germany seized it in 1938.

Two Breaks Reported At Gedemino Club

Two breaks this week at the Gedemino club, 324 River st., were reported to police today.

The first break, Inspectors Calvin E. Long and Charles F. Turner learned was Wednesday after 12:15 a.m. A screen was torn from a side window and the thief took \$12 from a cigar box on a counter.

The club was again entered in the same manner after 12:15 this morning. A bottle of whisky with contents partly consumed, was the only item taken in today's break.

Federal Tax Claims Are Settled

The Internal Revenue Bureau at Boston announced yesterday settlement of tax claims against a Haverhill man and a former Haverhill man.

A 1948 claim of \$385 against Benjamin B. Green, 374 Washington st., was settled for \$200. Green was formerly in the allied shoe business on Phoenix row.

A 1943-45 claim of \$26,821 against George Vinecour, Marblehead, formerly of Haverhill, was settled for \$6,000.

Marriage Intentions

The following marriage intentions have been filed in the city clerk's office:

Charles W. Clement, 9721 Horton rd., Livonia, Mich., U.S. Army, and Jean E. Spaulding, 47 Sheridan st., payroll clerk.

David P. Rice, 15 New st., junior accountant, and Margaret M. Keefe, 141 Salem st., Lawrence, clerk.

Norman F. Sargent, 11 Charles st., divorced, painter, and Sylvia Sargent, 11 Charles st., divorced, bow stapler.

ment this morning. Department of Public Works reveals that a portion of through this town will be widened into a four-lane highway.

According to the plan the highway will be widened from the cloverleaf at the new Route 1 sup to Golgotha Park, widened from its present width to four lanes.

The project will entail the bridge over the river and bids will shortly for this portion work. Bids on the bridge will be returnable 15 and work is expected completed next spring.

Other changes in the section of Route 110, to the announcement of raising the grade of the four feet over the Pond section and the knoll at Park will be cut down to four feet.

Lawrence Defense Unable To Pay

LAWRENCE—Pasquale Coppola, 33, 62 Kendall st., \$150 for possessing of pictures, which he claimed in Haverhill, when he was arraigned before Judge Darcy in District Court.

The defendant was kept in Lawrence jail when he failed to raise the fine. He also was sentenced to 30 days in the house of correction, suspended.

Coppola was taken in on Pond st., Methuen, afternoon when police found for him after hearing told by a 13-year-old girl. Police said the defendant stopped the street and tried to show playing cards. The defendant police he found the car bales of paper in Haverhill. Coppola denied possession of cards when questioned but a search of his trunk turned up the pictures.

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