

SURPRISE IN COURT

Sadonia Young Sentenced Policeman Gave Permission For a Dive.

As an undercurrent of events that have kept the Northwestern district busy during the past few weeks, Sadonia Young, a notorious negro woman, was today fined \$500 and sent to jail for a year for conducting a disorderly house on 510 Tyson alley.

Considerable interest has been aroused in the case because of the incidents surrounding the arrest of the woman. At the time Officer Scrivener and Sgt. Busch, Northwestern, arrested the woman for keeping a disorderly house, a young colored girl named Annie Jones was also arrested, as was a white man in company with her at the time. At the station the man gave the name of "James Manson Brown," and at that time it was reported that he was a treasury official from Washington. Later it developed that he was a Hopkins man and is said to have sailed for Europe.

Despite that the Young woman was held and that Annie Jones was also taken in custody and detained by the authorities, the case against "Brown" was dismissed.

Today when the case was called it was found that Officer Scrivener was on leave, and was reported in Chicago. This made the case somewhat difficult to prove, so far as the charge of harboring a minor was concerned, and the woman was acquitted of that charge by Judge Stockbridge.

The woman formerly kept the same place, but last fall was removed, after considerable difficulty. She returned there about four months ago and opened the resort. Judge Stockbridge could not understand how the woman could reopen the place after having been ordered away.

"How did you happen to go back in that same house after you were ordered out?" he asked her.

"Policeman Plum told me I could come back," she replied.

"What Policeman Plum?" asked Judge Stockbridge, "and where did he see you?"

"He came to my house on Jasper-st.," replied the woman.

"Is Officer Plum in court?" asked the judge.

"She means Sergt. Plum, your Honor," replied Sergt. Busch. "I was transferred in his place."

"Send for Marshal Farnan," said the judge, and the Marshal responded quickly.

On top of the presence of the marshal, after securing an order, came the testimony of James U. Dennis, nephew of Judge Dennis; Mrs. Kyle, who manages "The Park," a boarding house, 508 Park-ave., and a Miss Conway, who lives on Park-ave. All told of the manner in which inmates of the Sadonia Young house picked men up on the street and of the disgraceful scenes in the neighborhood as a result. Mr. Dennis told of the girls parading about the street and even accosting men who sat on the steps of the houses on Franklin-st.

When the woman was sentenced she seemed dazed and made her way to the lockup, under escort, with difficulty. Her husband paraded up and down the hall outside, evidently laboring under much excitement. The woman was represented by A. J. Quimm, under whose advice she pleaded guilty.

When the trial was under way a number of well-known Democratic workers in Ward 11, in which Tyson-st. is included, were in attendance and seemed interested in the case.

After the woman was sentenced she refused to make any statement.