

ELLIS GLENN FREE

No Court Eligible to Hear
"Man-Woman's"
Case.

DISCOVERED IN PRISON

Female in Attire of Opposite Sex
Has Made Love to Num-
erous Maidens.

Ellis Glenn, the most widely-known "man-woman" in news annals, whose experiences in St. Louis, Illinois and West Virginia while masquerading as a man and making love to women have been familiar to newspaper readers since the discovery of her sex at the Chester, Ill., penitentiary five years ago, has escaped final trial on the charge of forgery.

Press dispatches tell of a peculiar judicial condition at Parkersburg, W. Va., where her case was set, which is responsible for the immunity of trial which she enjoys.

The case was set for the criminal court, but the judge of that court was the assistant prosecuting attorney at the time of her first trial, three years ago, which resulted in a mistrial. The present prosecuting attorney was at that time employed as her counsel.

Judge is Disqualified.

The case cannot be taken to the circuit court, because the judge of that court is disqualified from the fact that three years ago he was the prosecuting attorney who worked up the case against her.

There is an acting judge whose duty it is to sit in criminal court cases in which the criminal judge is ineligible; but this judge acting is himself disqualified from having been a witness at her previous trial.

The case was set for trial last week, but, as happened, numerous times before, was continued. Ellis Glenn, who has become used to the feminine garments which she so long discarded, appeared for trial, and when the continuance was granted, disappeared with her accustomed mysterious suddenness.

Her Home Not Known.

No one at Parkersburg, it is said, knows where she now makes her home, even her lawyers communicating with her through a third person. It is said she lives in Michigan, but there is nothing more tangible than hearsay on which to base this statement. She, herself, declines to say where she is making her home.

Ellis Glenn, despite the fact that

she has been before the public for more than five years, is still the mystery she was when her sex was first discovered. This was after she had been sentenced at Hillsboro, Ill., to an indeterminate sentence in the Chester penitentiary on conviction of raising a deed of trust for \$400 to \$1,400 and getting money and property on it. She had for several years been living in the vicinity of Butler as a man, working at man's work. She was a favorite with women, and at the time of her arrest was engaged to be married to Miss Ella Dukes, daughter of James Dukes, a wealthy man of Butler. Dukes furnished \$1,000 bail for Glenn after the arrest, and Miss Dukes insisted on marrying Glenn after the sentence and before Glenn was taken to the penitentiary.

No Idea She Was a Woman.

When Sheriff Cassidy took Glenn to the penitentiary he had no idea his prisoner was a woman. This discovery was not made until Glenn's head had been shaved. She confessed her sex and physicians confirmed her confession.

A tangle over what to do with a prisoner who had been sentenced as a man, but was a woman, then followed, and then West Virginia officials discovered that Glenn was wanted for forging the names of George A. and Vesta Hoover of Williamson to a note for \$1,400. The forgery was committed, it was alleged, at the end of Glenn's long residence in that section of West Virginia, during which time she had masqueraded as a man, had worked as a carpenter, plumber, butcher, barber, waiter, real estate man and paper hanger, and had been a hilarious "rounder" with other "boys."

It was agreed that the case against her was stronger in West Virginia than was that in Illinois, and she was surrendered to the West Virginia authorities. Her bond was furnished by two lawyers whom she engaged, and then a determined effort to unravel the mystery of her past life was begun. It resulted in nothing.

COUGHED ALL NIGHT.

But Quickly Cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

"A few mornings ago J. G. Smitherman, a good citizen of this place, came to the store for a cough medicine," says Dr. C. N. Parnell, of Maplesville, Ala. "He was so hoarse that he could hardly talk and said he had coughed all the night before. I sold him a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and told him that if it did not relieve him he might bring the bottle back and get his money. I saw him the next morning carrying the bottle to the store where he works and he told me it did him more good than any medicine he ever used." For sale by all leading druggists.