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## MAN'S CRUEL CRIME

### SHOOTS HIS CHORUS GIRL WIFE AT NATIONAL CAPITAL

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Enraged because his chorus girl wife preferred a life on the stage to his companionship, William H. Short, of Washington, D. C., Sunday shot and perhaps fatally wounded her on the west portico of the union station and then set a bullet crashing through his temple. He died an hour later. The tragedy, which followed a series of quarrels between the couple, created a sensation among the large crowds occupied by her husband and a girl friend, Miss Caldwell, and was hurrying to catch a train for Pittsburgh when Short without warning whipped a revolver from his pocket and fired three bullets into his wife's back.

The woman, who now lies near death, is known to the stage as Evelyn Howard, and played in Washington last week with the Motor Girl company.

She was formerly Evelyn Lewis, of Jacksonville, Fla., and married Short, who is a native of Livingston, Ala., about seven years ago. They lived in New York, where he was employed as a bookkeeper in a bank, but shortly after their marriage the man got into the clutches of the law through alleged misappropriation of funds. Mrs. Short told the police when she regained consciousness at the hospital, and served a term in Sing Sing.

Through sheer necessity Mrs. Short said she drifted to the stage as a means of livelihood. Short recently was paroled from prison. Mrs. Short said, and began a new start in life. He imported his wife to return to him, but she declined and he followed her.

### R. W. PECKHAM DEAD.

Justice Closes This Life at Home Near Albany.

Rufus W. Peckham, associate justice of the United States supreme court, died at 8:15 o'clock Sunday night at Coolmore, his summer home at Altamont, Albany county, N. Y. Death was due to a complication of diseases, heart trouble, Bright's disease and hardening of the arteries contributing. Justice Peckham had been in ill health for some time, but his condition was not considered serious until recently. Following adjournment of the May term of the United States supreme court he came on from Washington with Mrs. Peckham to spend the summer at Altamont, expecting to return for the beginning of the October term. A few days ago his condition became such that his physicians said he was likely to die at any time or might linger for several months.

### STREET CORNER TRAGEDY.

Arthur Sturgis Shoots Nathan Castal Sunday Night in Omaha.

Arthur Sturgis, son of a prominent attorney, Sunday night shot and probably fatally wounded Nathan Castal on a downtown street corner in Omaha, Neb., while Castal was in the company of Mrs. Sturgis. The couple had been separated three months and Mrs. Sturgis' application for a divorce was to have come up this week. She said she had accompanied Castal to the theater and that they were on their way home when Sturgis stopped them and fired five shots into Castal's body. The injured man was taken to a hospital, where it was stated that he could not recover. His relatives reside in St. Joseph. Sturgis has not been arrested.

### RACING STABLES BURN.

Go Fast, a Running Horse, and His Trainer Lost Their Lives.

Go Fast, a race horse, and John Flynn, his faithful trainer, 60 years old, were burned to death when Flynn's racing stables at Prescott, Ontario, were destroyed by fire Sunday. The terrified horse dragged the old man into the burning stable and a certain amount of flame shut them off from rescue. All the other horses were saved.

### Bank Robbers Captured.

Three robbers were captured in a revolver battle Sunday night, after attempting to rob the private bank of Sperry & Hennessy, at Chebanse, ten miles south of Kankakee, Ill.

### Stock City Led Stock Market.

Saturday's quotations on the Sioux City live stock market follow: Top heavy, \$7.50. Top hogs, \$7.45.

### Man at Age of 100.

James Blatburn, the oldest man in Lancaster county, Neb., who celebrated his 100th birthday last August, is dead in Lincoln at the home of his son. He was born at Bolton, England, and was present at the coronation of Queen Victoria.

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### Chickens and Pigs Lost.

The wife of J. H. Smith, who was on a business trip to the city, was told that her chickens and pigs had been stolen from her place. She was told that the thieves had taken the chickens and pigs and were now in the city.

## F. H. MCCARREN DEAD.

Last Battle of Democratic Leader is Lost.

Patrick H. McCarren, state senator and democratic leader of Brooklyn, N. Y., died at St. Catherine's hospital at 1:50 o'clock Saturday morning, never having rallied from the effects of an operation for appendicitis October 13. His death was not unexpected. In fact Friday the senator himself realized throughout the afternoon and the earlier part of the night that the end was near.

Patrick Henry McCarren, by trade a cooper, by profession a lawyer and by vocation a politician, was one of the most picturesque figures in the political history of New York. No leader was more roundly condemned, yet at the close of sixty-one years of life he was probably the most strongly entrenched leader in New York state and had even wielded some influence in national politics. Born in East Cambridge, Mass., he settled in Brooklyn when he was 8 years old and was graduated from the public schools. He was apprenticed to a cooper when 16, but having mastered his trade, he answered the call to something more intellectual. He took the law and from the law went into politics. In 1832 he served almost continuously in the legislature. He was elected to the senate in 1831, but two years later was defeated. Elected again in 1835 it was to stay there regularly until his death.

### ROBBED OF A LARGE SUM.

Omaha Washerwoman Loses \$6,300 in Currency.

Mrs. Thomas Wendt, of Omaha, Neb., aged 55, was robbed of \$6,300 in currency while she was doing a neighbor's washing Friday afternoon. The money represented the savings of Mrs. Wendt and her husband for the last 27 years.

The police arrested William Eschle as a suspect in connection with the robbery. Mrs. Wendt, whose husband is a trackman for the street railway company, had been at the Eschle home during her forenoon doing the washing for Eschle and his son who live alone. She carried with her the money, safely packed in a tin box, which she had concealed in a clothes basket. She says that Eschle was the only person in the house while she was washing. When she reached her home in the afternoon Mrs. Wendt discovered that the tin box containing the money had been replaced with an empty cigar box. She at once notified the police and Eschle's arrest followed.

### SIX PERSONS ARE KILLED.

Wreck on Panhandle Near Collinsville, Ohio.

Six persons were killed in a wreck on the Panhandle division of the Pennsylvania railroad near Collinsville, O., Friday afternoon when southbound passenger train, which does not stop at Collinsville, was said to have been running at the rate of fifty miles an hour when the crash came. According to reports the switch was open and the passenger and freight trains collided head-on.

### Caught After Many Years.

After twenty-two years of alleged aiding, Alex McFarland was arrested in Huntington, W. Va., Friday on a charge of murdering Thomas H. Patton at Hendricks, Ky. Just twenty-two years ago Friday McFarland and Patton met on a country road. They quarreled over a woman and it is alleged McFarland shot and killed Patton.

### Body of Bishop Ward Arrives.

The body of Bishop Seth Ward, of the Methodist Episcopal church south, who died at Kobe, Japan, on September 20, arrived in San Francisco from the orient Saturday. Burial will be at Houston, Tex.

### Woman Ends Life.

Miss Leah Oppenheimer, formerly of Jutte Mont, shot herself through the heart at the home of her sister, Mrs. George L. Simans, in New York City Saturday. Death was instantaneous.

### Chicago Politician Dead.

Michael J. Doherty, superintendent of streets of the city of Chicago since 1897 and prominent in democratic politics of the municipality, died suddenly of apoplexy at his home Friday.

### DeLara to Be Freed.

The department of commerce and labor Friday telegraphed to Los Angeles, Cal., authority for the release of Gutierrez De Lara, who was arrested as an anarchist and an alien.

### Buys a Railroad.

A special from Frankfort, Ky., says the Louisville and Nashville railroad has bought the Frankfort and Cincinnati Short Line railroad.

### Calls on Jap Emperor.

Admiral P. B. Lambertson, United States navy, returned to Los Angeles, Cal., Saturday afternoon in private audience with the emperor of Japan Friday.

### Wife Murdered Hanged.

Andrew Williams, colored, was hanged in Chicago Friday for the murder of his wife nearly two years ago. The hanging was the first in Cook county in two years.

### Canadian Bank Robbed.

Seven masked robbers held up the cashier of the Banque Nationale St. Alme, at St. Alme, Canada, Thursday, and blowing open the safe got away with over \$2,000. The robbers made their escape on a handcar.

### Rock Island Train Wreck.

Edwards passenger No. 14, known as the Nebraska-Chicago limited on the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railroad, was wrecked Thursday night when it struck a horse just as it was entering the town of Neola, Ia.

## A KANSAS CRIME.

Poses Fail to Find a Triple Murderer.

Although the sheriff, aided by the police of Kansas City, Kan., had run down every clew that might lead to the apprehension of the unknown murderer of Alonzo Van Boyen, Margaret Van Boyen, his wife, and Miss Rosa McMahon, a sister of Mrs. Van Boyen, who were slain on their farm five miles west of Kansas City, Mo., Thursday, the slayer is still at large.

The bloodhounds which were placed on the trail lost the scent a mile west of Kansas City, Kan., owing to the muddy condition of the roads. It is believed the murderer is in hiding in Kansas City, Kan., and a thorough search of the resorts in that city is being conducted by the authorities.

Followed by a posse of officers and farmers, every one strongly armed, the bloodhounds followed the trail assiduously all of Thursday night. They traced the suspect from the house in which the two women lay murdered, to a ravine where Van Boyen's body lay turned into the road and came toward Kansas City.

The police are convinced the motive of the murders was robbery. The theft of \$500 from a trunk in the house and a diamond ring from the finger of Mrs. Van Boyen apparently confirm this.

### PLEADS IN VAIN FOR GIRL.

Whitney Tries to Save Woman from the Penitentiary.

When Ralph H. S. Whitney, a well appearing young man, came up for sentence on a forgery charge in New York, Thursday his attorney surprised the court by declaring that his client belonged to a well known Boston family and had once been private secretary for President Taft.

### M. N. JOHNSON DEAD.

North Dakota Senator Passes Away at Fargo.

United States Senator Martin N. Johnson, of North Dakota, died from an attack of acute Bright's disease at his hotel in Fargo, N. D., at 7:30 o'clock Thursday night. A week ago he submitted to a second operation for a nasal trouble and was thought to be doing well. He had been a sufferer from the nasal disease for years and had complained during the last few days, but reports were reassuring. He was suddenly attacked and died without warning.

### Earth Shocks in Sicily.

Several strong earthquake shocks were felt in Sicily Thursday. They were pronounced at Airciale, on the slope of Mt. Etna. The people, alarmed by the first shocks, rushed out of their houses and camped in the open air. Ten houses fell in the outskirts of Airciale, but only one person was killed.

### Farmers Wins \$10,000.

Henry Farman has been awarded the grand prize of \$10,000 for the longest flight at the aviation meeting at Blackpool, Eng. He covered 47 miles in his best attempt Friday. Rougier won the second prize of \$3,500 in this contest. Paulhan was third, receiving \$1,400. The unfavorable weather Thursday prevented any flights.

### Fatal Auto Accident.

Mrs. Frank B. Spear was instantly killed a mile from Pickering, Neb., Thursday. An automobile, driven by Frank B. Spear, her husband, struck a culvert. Mrs. Spear bounced out of the machine and landed on her head the fall breaking her neck.

### Ten Killed in Mine.

Ten men are dead, two are injured and one is missing as a result of an explosion in mine No. 10 of the Rock Island Coal Mining company near Hartshorne, Okla., Thursday. Nine bodies were recovered.

### In a State of Siege.

The whole Italian region from the frontier to Baccanik, is practically in a state of siege, the Italian government being determined that the visit of the Russian emperor must not be made the occasion of any untoward incident.

### Itzo Found Guilty.

Theodore Itzo, charged with the murder of Theresa Procopio and Freddie Infusino, and wounding Fannie Infusino, all young children, was found guilty of murder in the first degree at Utica, N. Y.

### Textile Men Elect Golden.

The United Textile Association of America Friday re-elected John Golden president.

### Walmakers to Strike.

A strike of the 40,000 members of the New York Ladies Walmakers' union for higher wages and recognition of the union was voted Thursday at an executive meeting of the organization.

### Rain Stops the Street Cars.

In one hour at Pensacola, Fla., Thursday 4.24 inches of rain fell, according to the weather bureau figures. The downpour stopped street car service and the waterworks. Water ran four inches deep in many streets.

## SOUTH DAKOTA STATE NEWS

News of the Week in Concise Form

### TO ADVERTISE DAKOTA.

Buttons is to Be Used by the Commercial Clubs.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Federation of Commercial Clubs of the state, Granville Jones, of Aberdeen, was selected as secretary for the balance of the year to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of J. F. Armstrong, who was elected at the January meeting in Deadwood.

### REAL RUSH AT ABERDEEN.

Thousands Are Now Taking Chances in Land Lottery.

Tuesday of last week the total registration at Aberdeen was but little over 36,000. Wednesday it was nearly 41,000. At that time the notices were registering the crowds at the rate of over 1,000 an hour. Trains are running in two on the sections, and all of them are crowded.

The registration at Pierre the first of last week was much heavier on account of homeseekers' excursion rates. There has also been a heavy registration from Gregory, Lyman and Brule counties, parties coming by auto for that purpose.

### PLEADS NOT GUILTY.

Accused Slayer of Sioux City Men Arraigned.

Isaac McCoun, who is charged with the murder of William T. Conroy, and Charles Simpson, of Sioux City, Ia., near Kadoka, Stanley county, last summer, in the circuit court of Stanley county, entered a plea of not guilty. While the trial may come up at the present term, it is likely that a continuance over the term will be asked for. McCoun's relatives live at Washburn, Ia.

### SWENSON TO GET BAIL.

Convicted Murderer Will Be Released from Jail.

Nels P. Swenson, convicted of the murder of his daughter-in-law, will probably be released from the Clay county jail on a \$25,000 bond, pending a hearing for a new trial. At Parker counsel for Swenson asked that the old man be released on bail, and succeeded in getting the order. Argument for a new trial will be heard at the adjourned term November 2.

### North Dakota Wins.

In a heavy rain and sleet storm Friday at Brookings the North Dakota Agricultural college beat the South Dakota state college team by a score of 11 to 5. The visitors outlasted the locals in size and weight, but at that only got their two touchdowns on fumbles, the state college team outplaying them in every way.

### Dakota Women Will Get Cash.

Mark Ramsay, retired president of the First National bank at Belvidere, Ill., who died Friday, aged 85, left a fortune estimated at \$300,000. His nearest relatives are three sisters and one brother, who will inherit large sums. Two of his sisters are Mrs. Ruby Rundale, of Canova, and Mrs. Eliza Deyo, of Elk Point.

### New Congregational Church.

A new Congregational church building at a point in Carlton township, Hand county, was dedicated recently. Address were made by Rev. N. C. Hirsch, president of Redfield college; Rev. W. H. Thrall, of Huron, and others.

### Time for Appeal Passed.

The attorney for Emil Victor, the condemned murderer of the Christie family, announced that Victor's relatives had failed to furnish funds to pay the expenses of an appeal to the supreme court and no appeal will be taken. Time for taking the appeal expired Saturday.

### Big Prairie Fires.

Prairie fires extensive in their nature were reported to be prevailing in sections of Edmunds and Walworth counties in the vicinity of Bowdle and Java. The exact extent of the damage done is so far impossible to ascertain.

### Miss Grace Burke to Wed.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Grace Burke, daughter of Congressman and Mrs. Charles H. Burke, and Milton P. Gooder, of Seattle, Wash., at Pierre, Wednesday evening, November 10.

Joe Devine was brought to Vermillion on a charge of selling "booze" at Wakonda. He waived examination and was held to the circuit court in bonds of \$200.

### Receipts Exceed Expenses.

The annual report of the state treasurer will show that for the fiscal year ending June 30 last the total receipts of the state were \$3,581,173; the disbursements were \$2,366,126. On June 30, 1908, the cash on hand amounted to \$564,536, and on June 30, 1909, the books showed on hand \$789,887.

### The Total Registration at Aberdeen.

Friday was 6,518, bringing the total registration up to 49,842. The total was all points at 4 o'clock Thursday was 76,103.

## SPEAKER CANNON ROASTS FOES.

Practically Reads La Follette and Cummins Out of Republican Party.

Speaker Joseph G. Cannon opened fire on the Republican insurgents Tuesday evening in an address before the Illinois Mayors' Association at the Elgin Opera House. Senator Cummins of Iowa and Senator La Follette of Wisconsin and their followers practically were read out of the room.

Representative Fowler of New Jersey, who recently attacked the Speaker, came in for incidental mention. Mr. Fowler's refusal to report to the House the emergency currency measure was given by intimation as the reason for dropping him as chairman of the currency and banking committee. The new tariff act was characterized as the best ever passed in the history of the country. Speaker Cannon spoke for nearly two hours, devoting his entire time to subjects relating to Congress. More than 1,200 people were in the audience.

### CARNIVAL HONORS PORTOLA.

War Ships of Five Nations Join in Welcoming Discoverer.

Rejoicing over her rehabilitation after almost complete destruction by earthquake and fire, San Francisco has been making merry with guests summoned from all over the world to participate in the festivities of a carnival week. Ostensibly to commemorate the discovery of San Francisco Bay by Don Gaspar de Portola, the celebration in reality is more in honor of those who have rebuilt a greater city on the ruins of the old.

### SEARCH FOR A RANCHER.

Disappeared Under Mysterious Circumstances at Belle Fourche.

A search is being conducted for L. C. Nelson, a prominent rancher of the northwestern portion of South Dakota, who disappeared under mysterious circumstances which indicate that he may have been the victim of foul play. He left his ranch for the purpose of going to Belle Fourche to close a deal for some sheep. He reached Belle Fourche all right, for he was seen there by several parties who knew him. After being there a short time he engaged a man to take his team back to his ranch, and with the man sent a message to Mrs. Nelson that he had been called to Deadwood. That is the last that has been seen or heard of him.

### Thirty-Third Degree Masons.

South Dakotans elected to the thirty-third degree honorary are: Charles Olin Halley, of Sioux Falls; Albe Holmes, of Deadwood; William Seth Stockwell, of Yankton; Iver D. Davies, of Aberdeen; Joseph Winfield and Scott Guild, of Hecla.

### Raid Aberdeen Saloons.

Sheriff John Anderson and his deputies raided a number of saloons in Aberdeen and confiscated eleven stereoscopic machines which were showing immoral pictures. The saloon-keepers were also ordered to remove the slot machines from their places.

### Farmers Hold Their Potatoes.

While there is a shortage of the potato crops around Pierre, and the wholesale price ranges about 60 to 70 cents a bushel, many of the farmers believe they will go higher later in the season, and are not bringing them in, but are storing them.

### Vessey for Equal Suffrage.

A reception was tendered Helen Loraine Baker, a suffragist, of Spokane, at Gov. Vessey's home. Helen Baker addressed a meeting. She was introduced by Gov. Vessey, who strongly endorsed equal suffrage.

### To Head Young People.

The election of T. H. Hagen, of Huron, by the Baptist association at Mitchell to be president of the Baptist Young People's Union of South Dakota, is received with much favor.

### Governor Grants a Parole.

Gov. Vessey granted a parole to C. W. Gardner, sentenced from Davison county on a charge of removing mortgaged property from the state.

### New Lodge Building.

Members of the Woodmen lodge at Verd, Brookings county, have completed a fine lodge hall building which was opened last week.

### Indian Student Killed.

The explosion of a boiler in the Indian school at Rapid City resulted in the death of Adolph Russell, a pupil from the Pine Ridge reservation and the probable fatal injuries of Reginal Whitefeather, another student.

### Catholic Church Anniversary.

The Catholic church of Pierre celebrated its silver anniversary, and a number of priests from other towns assisted in the celebration.

### More Deaths Than Births.

For the first time in many months the vital statistics in Brown county for September show a larger number of deaths than births. During that month there were 41 births, 42 deaths, 23 marriages and 2 divorces.

### New Sioux Falls Theater.

November 11 will witness the advent of a new vaudeville theater in Sioux Falls. It will be conducted by William Dance, who a few days ago retired from the management of the Majestic theater.

## TAFT AND DIAZ MEET

AMID GREAT SPLendor

Great Pomp and Ceremony Mark Exchange of Courtesies on Both Sides of Border.

### THEY CONVERSE IN PRIVATE

Each Ruler is Host to Accompaniment of Booming Guns and Clanking of Sabers.

Pomp and pageantry, the boom of cannon, the blare of trumpets, the clanking of sabers, the glitter of dazzling uniforms—these formed the setting Saturday for the long-awaited meeting between President Taft and President Porfirio Diaz of Mexico, the executive heads of America's two great republics.

It was a dramatic moment in the history of the two countries. In outward splendor it suggested the Field of the Cloth of Gold, the greatest pageant of all history, when in 1520 Henry VIII, the much-married monarch of England, met Francis I. of France in the Valley of Audrey.

In the actual handclasp of the two executives, however, and in the exchange of greetings—in the actual expressions of the good will and friendship between the two nations, for which the outward glitter and glamour was but the frame—stamped but cordial informality reigned.

Two cities on the border, the long bridge across the Rio Grande and El Chamizal, a strip of neutral territory, formed the scene of this international spectacle. The action alternated between El Paso, famous in the days of the old Santa Fe trail, and the quaint little City of Ciudad Juarez, Mexico.

It was the second time that a President of the United States had gone outside his country during his term of office. Theodore Roosevelt having set the precedent when he stepped on the soil of the Republic of Panama. It was the first time that President Diaz ever left the boundaries of his country, and to do it special sanction had to be granted by the Mexican Congress. A special train was built to convey the Mexican President to the border, and for the time being Ciudad Juarez became the Mexican capital.

In El Paso President Diaz, after driving up to the international border in an enormous gilt carriage of state with solid gold hubs and trimmings, was welcomed by American bands, which played "La Paloma," the Mexican national anthem, to the rattle of castanets by the trap drummers. In Ciudad Juarez President Taft on his two trips across the Rio Grande rode through banks of cheering and shouting Mexicans, who sang "America."

The actual meeting between the two Presidents was witnessed by fewer than a score of persons—only the personal staffs of the two principals. After greetings were over, President Taft and President Diaz withdrew into an inner room of the chamber of commerce of El Paso, where the historical meeting occurred, and in a long conference were attended only by Governor Creel of the State of Chihuahua, former ambassador to the United States, who acted as interpreter.

At 5:30 o'clock President Taft crossed the Rio Grande to Juarez for the second time, and was guest of honor at a banquet which for splendor of appointment was probably the most notable state feast ever served on the American continent.

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### TAG DAY BRINGS \$40,000.

Chicago Charities Will Receive Help Through Collections.

Proceeds of Chicago's second annual tag day are estimated at \$40,000, half as much again as was realized last year. The collections, however, were made in behalf of three times as many societies as were concerned last year, and the fund each organization will receive will be smaller. The Margaret Etter creche, the Boys' Shelter Club and the Illinois Children's Home and Aid Society reaped the largest funds, approaching \$4,000 each. Figures for the other organizations vary between \$1,500 and \$5,500.

### TWO TRY TO HOLD UP BANK.

Cashier Fires at Bandits, Who Escape with Posses in Pursuit.

The police are searching for two men who Tuesday afternoon entered the bank at West Manchester, Ohio, and attempted to hold up Cashier J. Warren Leas. Leas fired two shots at the men, who ran from the bank. The bandits drove toward Dayton in a buggy with a posse in hot pursuit and abandoned their rig near Dayton