

UNSEEN HAND ABOUT TO GRAB DR. CRIPPEN

London Wife Murderer Shivering on Steamer's Deck While Balance of the Passengers Are Merry With the Saturday Night Dance.

WIRELESS MESSAGES CRACKLE IN THE AIR

Sunday Will See the Arrest of the Doctor and His Companion if They Can be Prevented From Committing Suicide.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] FARTHER POINT, Que., July 30.—The air tonight is bringing news of the world's most dramatic criminal hunt—the wireless pursuit of Dr. H. H. Crippen and Miss Ethel Clare Leneve.

In the tower of the light house here, four police officers are gathered about the operator's desk. They can almost see the great bulk of the Montrose of the Canadian Pacific line, as she churns her lumbering course toward Farther Point, where the climax of the great drama is to materialize.

They can almost discern the unhappy pair aloft from the other messengers, leaning over the rails, with hands clasped, peering into the mist as though in fear of an unseen hand that is ever above them—the hand of retribution.

Caught in the Trap. If "Rev. John Robinson and son" are really Dr. Crippen and Miss Leneve, as the ship's officers believe and the clues of the English police indicate they are caught in a trap of their own making, coming hourly nearer to their doom. They can not escape. The trap has been set and the trigger will soon be sprung.

The wireless operator here got in touch with the Montrose tonight for the first time. The incessant crackling of the high powered electric spark as it sends the mysterious waves through the air can be heard from below.

Inspector Dew of Scotland Yard, is talking with Captain Kendall of the Montrose. Separated by 200 miles of water, they are laying plans for an arrest and for preventing their quarry from cheating the gallows, or escaping penal servitude.

Are Conscience Stricken. Almost the entire civilized world knows that a pair suspected of being Dr. Harvey Hawley Crippen and Miss Ethel Clare Leneve are on board the Montrose. Only seven persons on the Montrose are aware that "John Robinson and son" believed to be the much-sought Crippen and Leneve, are on board.

Wireless tonight indicate that the couple are ill at ease. There is music and dancing aboard, for only one more night will pass before the Montrose shall have docked in Quebec and that is Sunday. For that reason, the decks were given over tonight for the dance. The saloon is brilliantly illuminated with electric lights and the ship's band is playing waltzes and two steps.

"Dr. Crippen and Miss Leneve are not joining in the festivities," says Lewellyn Jones, the ship's wireless operator. "They are standing in a dark spot on the forward deck holding hands. As I send, they seem to be straining their ears as though to read my messages. The foghorn is sending its blasts out every minute and it seems to increase their nervousness."

Jones' messages say that the couple are in Captain Kendall's confidence, who hovers constantly near them trying to catch a few words of their conversation, ever ready to prevent a suicide which Scotland Yard greatly fears.

The Suicide Watch. The feature of the chase tonight is the "suicide watch" that has been established over the suspected couple. Inspector Dew urged by Scotland Yard's many cablegrams, has wireless to Captain Kendall not to allow the suspects to be unguarded for a single moment.

When the pilot tug Eureka goes alongside tomorrow, the four deck stewards have orders to station themselves alongside the suspected pair and to seize them the instant they show signs of alarm or make any effort to commit suicide.

The crowd on the pilot boat is almost sure to attract the attention of the suspects, if they are really Crippen and Miss Leneve. The sight of Inspector Dew is sure to place them on their guard. "Robinson" is known to carry a revolver. Captain Kendall has seen it. He may attempt to draw it. If he does, the steward will pin his arms to his sides and hold him fast until Dew's handcuffs are snapped on his wrists. If he attempts to swallow poison the same process will be used. In the event of either of them jumping overboard, Captain Kendall

will have a life boat already manned to pick them up instantly.

No Sleep in the Town. This little town which is breaking into the newspapers again for the first time since the opening of the Atlantic cable, in the 50's when it was the center from which steamers distributed European news, is making no effort to sleep tonight. The army of newspaper men is running around like mad, each man afraid the other will get a bit of news he has not heard.

Inspector Walter Dew of Scotland Yard is literally the man of the hour. His footsteps are dogged as he has dogged the footsteps of criminals. Dew is ready for his work tomorrow. The Montrose is expected off Farther Point shortly after noon. The Provincial police of Quebec, Inspector Denis of Levis and Chief Constable Gavreau of Rimouski will climb over the side and guided by Captain Kendall will make their way to the suspects. If they prove to be Crippen and Miss Leneve, they will be arrested and taken to Quebec, thence to England to stand trial.

At 8:00 This Morning. A wireless message received from the Montrose late tonight says that the vessel will probably reach here by 8 o'clock tomorrow morning. Fame Point was passed at 6:50 this afternoon. After receiving further advices from Captain Kendall, which he did not make public, Inspector Dew expressed renewed confidence that Dr. Crippen and Miss Leneve were on board. The weather cleared late tonight, and no delay is expected in the arrival of the Montrose.

A report was circulated here late tonight that Dr. Crippen had jumped overboard from the Montrose, but this was officially denied by the government officers who have taken charge of the wireless station. If the pair turn out to be Crippen and Miss Leneve, it has been determined that they will be kept under close guard by the officers until Quebec is reached and that Dew will return with them to England on board the fast turbine liner Royal George, which will sail from Quebec next Thursday for Bristol, England, reaching London in time for the renewal of the inquest there on August 15.

KING ALFONSO IN THE REGATTA

Does Not Let National Affairs Worry Him When There is a Boat Race.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] BIARRITZ, July 30.—King Alfonso of Spain is not so engrossed in the government-vatican crisis that he can not turn to sports. Alfonso will arrive here this evening from San Sebastian aboard the new royal yacht Hispia which he will sail in tomorrow's regatta. He will contest for the special prize offered by President Fallieres. Alfonso will not land in France but will leave immediately after the race for a cruise to England.

CITY OFFICIALS IN AN ACCIDENT

Police Coroner Killed and Chief and Clerk Are Badly Injured. [Gate City Leased Wire Service.] NORWALK, Conn., July 30.—Pinned beneath his overturned automobile ditched near here, Alex McLean, police coroner of Danbury, was instantly killed. Chief of Police Bradley and City Clerk Fanton were injured and are now in a serious condition at the local hospital.

McLean who is also manager of a garage at Danbury, was driving the car at a high rate of speed when it left the road, at about the same spot where Frank Minty was killed and two other injured yesterday in an automobile accident.

FIRE WORKS WENT OFF TOO QUICK

Safe and Sane Political Celebration Blew Three Voters up Last Night.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] KANSAS CITY, Kan., July 30.—Closing the campaign for Congressman Charles F. Scott, by a fire works demonstration in Huron park, Kansas City, Kan., tonight, three men were injured, one fatally, when a mortar exploded prematurely.

THIS NEWS IS RATHER STRIKING

Smallest Spark of Revolt Would Cause General Explosion of Rioting Over Ohio Street Cars.

TROOPS ARE PATROLLING

Stones Flung Freely in the Strike Riot Over the Vermont Central Railroad Walk Out.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] COLUMBUS, Ohio, July 30.—With Columbus practically under martial law, as far as the streets are concerned, as a result of the street car strike, Brig. Gen. McMakin is tonight anxiously awaiting the arrival of two regiments of reinforcements for the 2,000 troops now patrolling the streets. The soldiers and police had great difficulty controlling the Saturday night crowds, and the authorities feared that the smallest spark of revolt would cause a general explosion of rioting.

Out in the residence districts of the city, where the Columbus railway and light company has kept cars moving, strike sympathizers and hoodlums early in the evening began to give the police and soldiers trouble. Cars were stoned, strike breakers hooted and jeered.

The militia has been given orders to shoot to kill in the event of serious disorder. The car lines in the outlying districts are inadequately guarded by the present force, and General McMakin is anxious for the arrival of the Fourth and Eighth regiments from Marietta, which have been ordered here, in order that he may increase the details in the outskirts.

Clash in Vermont.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] ST. ALBANS, Vermont, July 30.—As the result of a clash here between strike breakers and their sympathizers with striking trainmen of the Vermont Central railroad in which stones flew freely and bullets were fired, police and deputy sheriffs are on guard tonight to prevent further trouble.

During the fracas three or four men were badly bruised by stones but none of the bullets, which came from the strike breakers' guns, took effect.

Bitter feeling is prevailing here in the two camps and it is believed other clashes will occur.

Grand Trunk Strike.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] MONTREAL, July 30.—A basis of settlement for the strike on the Grand Trunk was expected tonight after a prolonged conference of union representatives and railroad officers.

Further conferences will be held to complete the conciliation and the men are expected to return to work soon. It is understood that the unions have accepted the offer made by President Hays before the strike was called of an 18 per cent. increase immediately and the standard scale of wages January 1, 1913. The men struck to obtain the standard scale immediately but the road has contended that it was absolutely impossible with its present earnings, to grant the scale.

MINISTER DIED FROM HIS WOUNDS

Leaped From Window of Burning Hotel and Fractured His Skull. [Gate City Leased Wire Service.] BELFAST, Ireland, July 30.—The Rev. William John McCaughan died tonight from injuries sustained in the burning hotel Kilvina last Tuesday.

Rev. McCaughan leaped from a window, his wife following. They both sustained fractured skulls and serious burns.

Rev. McCaughan was pastor of the Third Presbyterian church of Chicago, resigning in May, 1907, to take up the pastorate of the May street congregation here.

LAST STAND AGAINST THE FIRE

Two Hundred Men and Women are Trying to Save Their Home. [Gate City Leased Wire Service.] PORTLAND, Oregon, July 30.—Two hundred men and women are making their last stand against a forest fire tonight which threatens to destroy the mining town of Wardner, Idaho, with a population of 1,500. According to dispatches reaching here, the fire was within a mile and a half of the city limits at sundown.

The fire has been raging for a week and has laid a wide area waste. Reports from the Kootenai district of Canada say fires in that section are practically extinguished.

THE WEATHER.

CHICAGO, July 30.—Weather forecast—Iowa and Missouri: Generally fair Sunday and Monday. Illinois: Generally fair Sunday and Monday.

DOG'S DEVOTION TO HIS MASTER

Sheep Left to Mangle Letter to Wife May 14 and His Dead Body Just Found.

OVERCOME IN BLIZZARD

Faithful Dog Remained by the Corpses and Kept Alive by Eating Horse Flesh.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] SHERIDAN, Wyo., July 30.—The piteous whines of a shepherd puppy led to the finding of the remains of Nathan A. Lindsay, of Batavia, Ill., this week, by J. C. Weltner, a Sheridan county sheepman.

Lindsay disappeared May 14, after he had left his ranch, 67 miles from Sheridan, to mail a letter to his wife at Batavia. Stockmen scoured the country without finding a trace of the missing man.

A week ago Weltner had occasion to make a trip to the lofty ridges of the Big Horn to look after his flock in that region. Attracted by the distressed cry of a dog, Weltner made his way to a clump of scrub pine and there found the remains of a human being. Little remained but the bones. Nearby as if it had just fallen from the bony clutch of a skeleton hand lay the letter Lindsay had left the ranch to post.

Whitened bones of the carcasses of two horses helped make up the gruesome spectacle, while a short distance away hobbled a horse still saddled, its leg broken, and the beast apparently ready to lie down and die. It was evident Lindsay had been overcome by a terrific blizzard which swept the mountain in May. The dog, to all appearances, had lived on the flesh of the dead horses and was nearly dead of hunger when Weltner found it.

ERECTED STATUE TO THE DEVIL

Fanatic Had His Pocket Picked While Attending Church Picnic.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] DETROIT, Mich., July 30.—Herman Menz, who hates conventionalty and orthodoxy and who startled the country about four years ago by erecting a monument to satan in front of his handsome home, now hates christians worse than ever. He reported to the police today that he went on a Methodist picnic in Put in Bay the other day, and pickpockets robbed him of \$22.

He had the money in his hip pocket and was jostled by a crowd on the boat. "I do not go to the bay because the Methodists go," he said. "It happened so they go the same day and I lose my money."

LIBERIAN TANGLE TO BE UNKNOTTED

Plan to Make Big Loan to the Black Republic and Straighten it Out.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] WASHINGTON, July 30.—It was announced at the state department today that there was a strong likelihood of an early settlement of the difficulties of Liberia, the black republic, which the United States gathered many decades ago. Paul Warburg, representing Kuhn, Loeb and Co. is now in Europe, consulting with English, German and French bankers with the view of arranging a loan of \$1,500,000 to straighten out the financial entanglements.

R. P. Faulkner, chairman of the American commission, who has been commissioned as fiscal agent by Liberia, is now in Europe.

The United States has been in communication with Great Britain, France and Germany regarding the rehabilitation of Liberia and whatever action is decided upon was taken conjointly by the four governments.

SEVEN CARS OF DYNAMITE

Train Wrecked and on Fire, Reported About Ready to Blow up. [Gate City Leased Wire Service.] PITTSBURG, Pa., July 30.—A freight train with seven cars, said to be loaded with dynamite, was wrecked tonight on a trestle on the West side Belt railroad in Castle Shannon and the wreckage is burning. It is feared that the dynamite will explode. The engineer is reported to be missing.

Two Negroes Lynched. [Gate City Leased Wire Service.] BONTAPAI, Fla., July 30.—A mob today lynched two negroes who had confessed to the murder of Bessie Morrison aged 12.

TRACKED ALL OVER THE MAP

Man Wanted for the Murder of Little Alma Kellner in Louisville Several Months Ago.

CHASED OVER COUNTRY

Finally Captured After a Two Months' Chase From Louisville to the Pacific Coast.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] SAN FRANCISCO, July 30.—The capture today of Joseph Wendling, French army officer, scion of a wealthy family, suspected of the murder of little Alma Kellner of Louisville, and one of the most determined pursuits by law officers in the annals of American crime.

Wendling probably will leave for Louisville tomorrow in the custody of Captain James Carney, former chief of the Louisville police department, who was assigned to take up the chase after Wendling, following the discovery of the girl's body in the cellar of St. John parish school, where Wendling had been janitor.

Carney kept on the trail of the fugitive for two months, traveling 11,000 miles and communicating with the police of nearly every large city in the U. S., Germany and France.

From Louisville to Texas, from Texas to Mexico, from Mexico to California the clow led the Louisville detective until Wendling finally was cornered in a rooming house here, hiding in a closet beneath a sink.

The description of Wendling fitted the suspect, he himself admitted his identity but the preliminary identification had not been complete until Captain Carney entered the city prison and confronted his man.

"Hello Captain Carney" do you know me?" Coolly asked Wendling. "I've been following you too long not to know you Wendling" replied the detective.

The story of the pursuit and capture of Wendling was told briefly by Carney. After describing how suspicion was directed toward Wendling, Carney said "The little girl's body was found May 30. I took up the trail June 1. For several days I worked on intangible clues. Then a friend wrote me from Houston, Tex., giving me the first lead. When I reached Houston, Wendling had gone to San Antonio. I jumped there and back to Houston.

"On the second visit to Houston I intercepted a letter to Wendling from Humeno. I sent an anonymous letter to Humeno, warning Wendling that detectives were on his trail. This letter was forwarded to Los Angeles. The postal authorities informed me of this and that was the first real clue I had of his flight west."

"I followed him to Los Angeles, and then jumped to San Francisco on the chance he would go there. "He went to Rio Vista, in central California, then to Vallejo near San Francisco and finally came to this city. Then local police took a hand, but Wendling was shrewd and fled. He ran back up the trail, Wendling dodged back to San Francisco, thinking that the safest place. He was captured two hours before I returned there."

"I have just talked with Wendling. We have evidence enough to convict him but of course cannot reveal what it is at this time. The chase has been an expensive one, my own expenses being \$100 a day. I have not yet thought of the reward which he is apportioned. Wendling has been cool since his arrest and denies emphatically that he was connected with the Kellner murder. He admits that he was janitor of the St. John's school."

"I left Louisville because of trouble with my brother-in-law, Louis Arnold," said Wendling. "From there I went to New Orleans, then to Houston, Texas, and then to Vallejo. I worked at odd jobs wherever I could. The murder of that little girl in Louisville was not committed by me."

Wendling was captured by Detectives Ryan and Burke of the local force. They received word that he had returned to San Francisco and was hiding in a Bird street rooming house. They went to the house and were told no one answering Wendling's description was there. The detectives desired to search the house and found Wendling restless and colorless, hiding under a sink in a small closet in the kitchen.

BLACK BLOOD DRENCHES THE SOIL OF TEXAS

The Worst Race Riot in the History of the State is Now On and Twenty-Seven Men Are Already Reported Massacred.

TWENTY-THREE NEGROES--FOUR WHITES

Blacks Have the Majority of Men and Are Armed With Sythes and Pitchforks, Terrorizing the Citizens of Anderson County.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] PALESTINE, Texas, July 30.—Two white men and ten negroes have been killed, scores injured and 200 armed blacks are tonight defying the whites and state authorities, while five companies of militia are enroute here to put down one of the worst race riots Texas has ever experienced.

With the trouble starting at Slocum last night, where the ten blacks and one white man were killed, it spread today to Elkhart and through the surrounding country until nearly the whole of Anderson county was involved.

Tonight the excitement is intense as it is feared the negroes will make a concerted attack on the two small towns and attempt to wipe out the whites unless the militia arrives.

Army Officer in Charge. Captain Reese Fowler, late of the Nicaraguan army, arrived here tonight and gathering together a posse of every able bodied man in town, started for the settlement. Forty-five automobiles were pressed into service to carry Fowler's small army to the scene of action and a section was placed practically under martial law.

The trouble first started at Slocum last night between a negro and a white man, named Alford, over a small account. When the negro refused to pay the alleged debt, an argument arose, in which the black man had to have cursed Alford and a fight started. Others immediately joined in the fracas. Guns and knives were used, and the fight continued all night. E. E. Rains is the only white man known to have been killed at Slocum, but ten negroes were slain and their bodies mutilated.

At Elkhart a white man was killed today when he refused to work with negroes. Reports of the rioting at Slocum had reached Elkhart and when the negroes heard the white man had refused to work with them, they rushed on him and clubbed him to death.

The whites of Elkhart formed a posse and started after the blacks.

No Ammunition in Town. More than a hundred shots were fired but so far as known, the negroes escaped to the woods without serious damage.

The situation at Elkhart is desperate tonight as there is no ammunition in the town, and if the negroes carry out their threat, the whites will be practically helpless. All saloons have been closed in Palestine and hardware stores are prohibited from selling fire arms.

Later Reports More Startling. [Gate City Leased Wire Service.] PALESTINE, Texas, July 30.—Twenty-three negroes and four white men were killed in a race riot between Elkhart and Slocum, 15 miles west of here, according to advices received from the scene of the battle last tonight.

Fighting has been in progress for the last 18 hours and two serious engagements occurred, one this morning, and the second at 3 o'clock this afternoon. According to the advices the white dead are: Captain Fowler, DICK STUBBFIELD, deputy sheriff of Anderson county. SAM WOLF, a constable. E. E. RAINS, prominent farmer. UNKNOWN FARMER.

A deputy sheriff of Houston county is reported fatally wounded. In this afternoon's fight a dozen are reported injured on both sides. Hundreds of heavily armed citizens hurried to the scene of the riots today from Crockett, Palestine and adjacent towns and are under the leadership of Captain Fowler.

Texas Rangers. A company of Texas Rangers from Austin and a company of militia from Marshall will reach here tonight and will at once proceed to the scene of the battle. Palestine citizens still are going to Elkhart. A telephone message from Jacksonville says 200 armed citizens will go from there tonight to the aid of the whites. Scores of others are leaving the villages and towns in this section for Elkhart as if in response to a call to arms which had been sounded. Palestine is quiet tonight, but there is some uneasiness because many homes are unprotected. All the men are at Elkhart. There

have been no disturbances here, however, so far.

Wiremen are Cut. Communication with the scene of the riots is extremely difficult, many wires having been cut.

There are five hundred whites in the field, but the negroes outnumber them and they are also heavily armed. The majority of the blacks are carrying guns and many are armed with scythes and pitchforks. If they resist, bloody battle is inevitable, as the whites have sworn to drive them out of Anderson county if they do not lay down their arms, surrender and turn over their leaders for arrest.

The riots are the dire result of the killing of a negro farmer by James Alford, a white farmer. Alford attempted to collect a debt, the negro refused to pay and the shooting followed. Negro farmers armed themselves to avenge the murder, arming every white man in the community to action.

One report tonight from Elkhart says fifty negroes were killed, but it is unconfirmed. Palestine is under martial law tonight.

Only a few blacks are now left near Slocum where three were shot by whites this afternoon, but at least 500 are now at Denison Springs and the number is constantly increasing. They are well armed and being led by some of the most daring blacks of the west. It is believed that only the arrival of the militia will prevent further bloodshed. When the trouble was at its height Governor Campbell was far out in the gulf on a pleasure boat, but when the news of the trouble reached the town a revenue cutter put out in pursuit of the executive and he was rushed ashore. The governor stated that he expected to leave for Palestine tonight.

Quiet at Midnight. [Gate City Leased Wire Service.] PALESTINE, Texas, July 30.—One company of the Texas Rangers arrived at Slocum where race riots have been in progress during the past 24 hours at midnight tonight. No further trouble is expected. The report that 50 negroes and seven whites were killed is untrue.

HAD HIS HAMMER READY FOR TAFT

Cranky Negro With Four Names Wanted to Talk Religion With President.

[Gate City Leased Wire Service.] BEVERLY, Mass., July 30.—Politics will buzz around Beverly from now on. The mysterious Crane mission was a preliminary and next is to come a conference with Representative McKinley chairman of the Republican congressional committee. Powerful pressure is being brought upon the president to lend his aid during the congressional campaign this fall. McKinley is particularly desirous that Taft reconsider his determination not to make any addresses.

A tentative scheme for the disposition of the Alaska coal lands was thrashed out at a conference today which the president had with George Otis Smith, director, and Alfred H. Brooks, mineralogist of the geological survey, and Oscar Lawlor, assistant attorney general for the interior department. President Taft wants to settle the question whether or not the Alaska coal lands shall be sold outright or leased. Special legislation is necessary in either case. It is understood that the administration will favor a leasing system.

Between times today the president considered possible appointments to the supreme court. His mails lately have been burdened with endorsements of candidates. It is practically certain that Governor Hughes will be the chief justice and the most likely candidates now for the two other places are Supreme Court Justice Swazee, of New Jersey, and Lloyd W. Bowers, of present solicitor general.

Henry W. Taft, the president's brother, said the president's call prior to sailing next Saturday for Europe. The summer capital's first crank is held by the secret service tonight awaiting examination as to his sanity. He is John George Stemon Chubbell, a negro, who appeared at the executive home this afternoon having traveled all the way from Baltimore burdened with a heavy hammer and an insatiable desire to discuss religious matters with President Taft. Chubbell got to the front gate where the secret service men grabbed him