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CLYDE JONES WAS ASSAULTED

Former Keokuk Boy Who is Now an Illinois State Senator Gets Blow on Jaw From Funk.

TRIED TO RETALIATE

First Ten Round Bout is Stopped by Statesmen Who Separated the Two Belligerents.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 21.—Receiving an accusation that he was attempting to block initiative and referendum legislation, Senator Walter Clyde Jones, of Chicago, was struck by Senator Frank H. Funk, of Bloomington, on the point of the jaw with his fist during a conference of republican senators. The encounter was one of the most sensational in the history of the Illinois legislature, and was precipitated during a discussion of the initiative and referendum.

Senator Jones charged Senator Funk with attempting to smother the bill.

"You're a liar," shouted Funk, at the same time jumping over a table and striking Senator Jones.

Senator Jones whipped off his glasses and made a desperate attempt to strike Senator Funk in return.

Other senators were instantly mixed in the fray in their efforts to separate the struggling combatants.

Senator Edward Beall held Funk back while Senator Samuel A. Eitelson pushed Jones to a corner of the conference room.

Senator Jones, Eitelson and Henson then bolted the caucus. Jones was trembling with emotion and for several minutes was unable to voice his rage toward Senator Funk.

He later gave out a statement in which he announced that the fight between conservatives and progressives was thrown wide open. He declared that he would stump the entire state.

"I will put before the people themselves an initiative and referendum that is on the square," said Jones. "I will also send into the senate, a resolution providing for an advisory vote on president."

During the conference it is said that Senator Jones declared that he would go into the caucus on the initiative and referendum. This aroused the ire of Senators Funk and McKenzie, who immediately demanded the resignation of Jones as senate leader.

"You're a poor excuse for a republican if you refuse to abide by a majority on this proposition," said Senator Funk, pointing his finger at Jones. "After making such a statement as that I believe it's up to you to resign as senate leader."

"I will resign if my fellow members so wish it," replied the senate leader, "but I desire to say that I am in favor of the initiative and referendum while you are trying to kill it."

The other republicans then went into caucus and within five minutes came to a final agreement on the proper interpretation of the words, "the electors voting in the election," as embodied in the initiative and referendum petition adopted by the people last November. It was decided by the caucus that the words "the electors voting at the election" should mean the electors voting on the proposition.

MRS. SCOTT IS ELECTED AGAIN

Daughters of American Revolution Pick Her As Their President-General.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—The reelection of Mrs. Matthew T. Scott of Illinois as president-general of the Daughters of the American Revolution by a small majority was conceded this afternoon by Miss Elizabeth Poe, press agent for Mrs. Cummings Story of New York, who opposed Mrs. Scott. Thirty women tellers counted ballots all night.

Restoring Old Paintings. PARIS, April 21.—Old pictures in oils can be "restored" more or less perfectly by an application of electricity, according to Professor Branly, recently admitted to the Academy of Sciences by two votes over Mme. Cury, the radium discoverer. M. Etienne is on trial for fraud, on the principle that his electric process of picture restoration by electricity was a fake. Dr. Branly testified that he had seen experiments made and had made them himself with considerable success.

UNDER THE MULBERRY TREE

Quarter of a Million of This Kind Will Be Planted by Chicago School Children on Arbor Day.

BE GREAT OBSERVANCE

Last Year 285,000 Catalpa Trees Were Planted and This Year 300,000 Others Will be Set Out.

CHICAGO, April 21.—More than a quarter of a million Russian mulberry trees will be planted in Chicago today by school children.

Never before in the history of the city has Arbor day been observed more generally here than it will be this year. Exercises will be held in all of the public schools and all of the pupils will plant trees in the school grounds or at home.

The schools will be dismissed one hour earlier than usual in order to permit the pupils to reach the places where special Arbor day exercises are to be held under the auspices of the Chicago Women's Outdoor Art League and other women's organizations.

The planting of trees in the public schools will be generally supervised by J. H. Prost, city forester. None of the 200,000 mulberry trees, which will be seedlings provided by the Fair store, will be planted along the sides of the streets, all being intended either for school yards or the lawns of the children's homes.

"The planting of these trees by the children," said Mr. Prost yesterday, "will mean much in the after lives of the little ones. It will inculcate in the minds of the youngsters the idea of beautifying the schools and homes and will serve to intensify their love for outdoor life and the beauties of nature."

It is stated that of the 250,000 catalpa trees planted last year 80 per cent survived the winter and are in splendid condition this year.

It is hoped that the work of tree planting each year will eventually result in the organization of a public tree society which will take in hand the planting of shade trees along every residence street in Chicago.

Copies of a hundred page book, containing comprehensive information on the subject of tree planting have been supplied to all the schools of the city by the state superintendent of public instruction. These booklets will be used in many instances in making up the programmes for the day's exercises.

The different orphanages of the city as well as many of the parochial schools, also are expected to plant trees today.

LOOKING FOR THE SOUTH POLE

Amundsen Planned to Make His Dash During the Winter Instead of Summer

LONDON, April 21.—Capt. Amundsen apparently is attempting to reach the south pole by starting at the end instead of the beginning of the brief antarctic summer, thus facing the tremendous risk of traveling through the perils of winter.

After Amundsen reached Buenos Ayres, March 17, the captain of the ship filed a message from Amundsen to his agents in Christiania, wherein the explorer says: "The dash south begins upon the departure of the Fram."

The exact date upon which the Fram sailed from Buenos Ayres is not stated, but it is recalled that the Terra Nova found her in the antarctic February 4, and the march southward had not then begun, as far as was known.

As February in the south corresponds to August in the northern hemisphere, Amundsen's party, if it started immediately, would be taking hazards never known to have been taken before.

It is thought here that it is impossible for the party to cover the 1400 miles to and from the pole without encountering the rigors of the terrific winds which make the antarctic winters so horribly severe that human life can hardly be maintained. Scott's plan can start for the pole in October next. Thus Amundsen anticipated him by several months.

Is Created a Prince. TOKIO, April 21.—For meritorious services in securing a revision of the American treaty Premier Matsura was created a prince today.

LYNCHING IN OPERA HOUSE

Negro Was Hidden Beneath the Stage Where Mob Found Him and Dragged Him Out.

RIDDLED WITH BULLETS

Marshal Slipped His Prisoner Out of Jail When He Heard the Mob Coming After Him.

LIVERMORE, Ky., April 21.—Will Potter, a negro, was the central figure in a tragedy last night when fifty citizens dragged him upon the opera house stage and, after tying him, riddled the body with bullets.

Potter had shot and killed Frank Mitchell, twenty-two years old, in a quarrel. What the pair quarreled about is not known. A pistol shot was heard and the negro was seen fleeing from the scene.

Potter was captured by Marshal V. P. Stabler and placed in the city jail. Hearing the mob approaching the marshal swore in half a dozen deputies, and the prisoner was rushed to the opera house, where he was hidden beneath the stage. A messenger was sent for the sheriff, but before he arrived the mob had taken the place and the negro had been captured.

Cringing with terror the black was dragged from his hiding place. He was taken upon the stage and tied securely to one of the uprights, while the mob gathered in the orchestra pit below. At a signal his body was riddled with bullets.

A few minutes later the mob quietly left the opera house.

An investigation will be made by the coroner's jury to identify the participants in the lynching.

CANNOT MAKE UP ITS MIND

Russia Does Not Know How to Look at the Victory of Stolypin Over the Council.

ST. PETERSBURG, April 21.—Russia is still trying to make up its mind whether Premier Stolypin's victory over the Council of Empire, or Muscovite senate, was a victory for reaction or reform.

As Russian statesmen go, M. Stolypin is a progressive. Nevertheless, he violated the Russian constitution in suspending the Duma and resorting, during the suspension, to an imperial ukase to put through his plan for the Russification of the Polish provinces. His plan is also unjust to the czar's Polish subjects—so much so that the few radicals in the Council of Empire, joined the reactionaries in voting against it.

The various reactionary groups combined against the premier because they considered him dangerous to liberal and their defeat appears to have been a liberal triumph, but M. Stolypin only accomplished it by abandonment of his intention to carry his governmental anti-corruption prosecutions up to the men primarily responsible for them—the grand dukes.

The outcome will probably depend on how the premier uses his power. If he becomes infatuated with its exercise the constitution is not much longer for this world and there is an end of parliamentary government in Russia. If he only did, for just once, what it seemed to him necessary to do to defeat the reactionary plot against him, his assertion of authority may make for ultimate improvement by frightening the reactionaries into quiescence.

Funeral services for Henry Willis, the old colored man who died Wednesday, was held this afternoon at three o'clock in the Pilgrim's Rest church. Through the kindness of friends, the deceased colored man was given a nice burial, a neat suit of black broadcloth, white tie, shirt and vest attiring the body of the dead. At the church many of the friends of the departed attended.

The body of Marion A., the deceased infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Welschmyer, of Burlington, will be taken from the vault in Oakland cemetery tomorrow afternoon and interred. The child passed away on February 7th, and the body brought to Keokuk the next day. Mr. and Mrs. Welschmyer were former residents of Keokuk.

Fire near a range on the kitchen floor of the Frank Foster restaurant at 423 Main street, called out the chemical engine on a still alarm this morning at 8:10 to extinguish the slight blaze. The damage was small.

THREE O'CLOCK THIS AFTERNOON

At That Hour the Armistice Ends in Mexico and Attack on Juarez May Begin.

TODAY'S WAR NEWS

El Paso is Expecting a Rain of Bullets and Citizens Threaten to Take Hand in the Turmoil.

EL PASO, April 21.—The 24 hour armistice granted the federals by Madero, pending peace negotiations, will end at 3 o'clock this afternoon and it is expected Madero will attack Juarez unless President Diaz resigns.

American soldiers during the night, captured many Mexicans who were attempting to cross the border with arms and ammunition.

During the morning no move was made by either of the forces across the river. The insurgents have massed their forces in three divisions. Orozco has scattered his troops from the west to the southwest. Another division in the hills to the south with the artillery and Madero is in command of the third division which is being held as a reserve force.

El Paso Will be Hit. WASHINGTON, April 21.—That the Mexican situation today centered at Juarez and El Paso was the opinion of Washington officials. It is believed that if Madero makes good his threat to attack Juarez if Diaz does not resign, there will be a repetition of the Douglas incident.

Citizens of El Paso have openly declared that if Mexican bullets fall in the city, they themselves will take a hand in the fighting. This will result in a clash with the American soldiers who are ordered to put a stop to anything of the kind.

Latest War News. MEXICO CITY, April 21.—Minister De Labarra, minister of foreign affairs called on Ambassador Wilson today and assured him that the Diaz note of yesterday was not intended as an affront to President Taft.

DOUGLAS, ARIZ., April 21.—Five hundred insurgents are in the hills prepared to attack Agua Pretta.

MATLAZEN, Mex., April 21.—Three hundred insurgents captured Concordia without firing a shot. They are now preparing to attack the next neighboring city.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Representative Berger, socialist, from Wisconsin presented a petition in the house today signed by 88,900 people from every state excepting Alaska and Delaware asking for the recall of the United States troops from the Mexican border.

HAS WATER ON THE BRAIN

Champion Swimmer of the World is Insane and Wants to Wear His Bathing Suit.

PARIS, April 21.—Cattaneo, the champion swimmer of the world who has several times tried with near success to swim from England to France, has been arrested here for riding a bicycle through the boulevards clothed in a scanty swimming costume. It is said that he tried to attack the police at the station and demanded whether there was a swimming pool at the lunatic asylum in which he might train for his next try at the English channel. He was sent to a special infirmary at the Depot prison. According to a report Cattaneo fell some time ago and injured his head. Coming from Calais a few weeks ago, he stopped at a hotel here; he was later given notice to vacate because he insisted on pronouncing through the corridors clothed in a thin sweater and bathing trunks.

HAD PENCILITIS, NOT APPENDICITIS

Boy Swallowed Lead Pencil Last Summer and is in Precarious Condition.

MOUNT STERLING, Ill., April 21.—While operating on Eugene Ritchey, the 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Ritchey, for appendicitis, Dr. Otis Johnson of Quincy, removed a lead pencil the boy swallowed some time last summer.

The patient is in a precarious condition.

RECEPTION IN HIS HONOR

Last Three Hours of Debate is Now on With Underwood on the Floor.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Hoping to reach a vote on the Canadian reciprocity treaty some time tonight, the house commenced its last three hours debate today. Representative McCall favored the bill and was followed by Dalzell who opposed it.

The last hour of the debate was taken up by Underwood, the democratic floor leader in charge of the bill.

NERVOUS TO BUY RAILROAD

DALLAS, Texas, April 21.—Booker Washington, the negro educator, and negro financiers of the north are planning to buy the International and Great Northern railroad at the receivership sale in Palestine, May 15, according to a report printed here today. It is said Washington will attempt to operate the road with negro labor exclusively.

KNOWS BECAUSE HE PAID \$10,000

Another Tenth of the Lorimer Bribery Fund is Made Public by Testimony on Witness Stand.

AN IMPORTANT LINK

Testimony is Not Direct But is Statement of What One Man is Said to Have Told Another.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 21.—Another sensation was sprung at the meeting of the State Senate Bribery Committee when William Burgess, a member of the Burgess Electrical company, of Duluth, testified that C. F. Wiehe of Chicago, a brother-in-law of Edward Hines, the millionaire Chicago lumberman and politician, told him that a jack pot was raised to put William Lorimer in the United States senate.

"I know what I am talking about," the witness declared Wiehe said to him, "because I gave \$10,000 myself."

Former United States Senator Hopkins, who was defeated as a result of the Lorimer election, was on the witness stand most of the time. He gave no new evidence relative to the use of money in the Lorimer election.

The testimony of Burgess, the second witness of the session, forms an important chain in the testimony so far in the hands of the committee. It is regarded as even more direct than that given by Clarence S. Funk, general manager of the International Harvester Company, who declared Edward Hines asked him for a contribution of \$10,000 to the Lorimer fund, declaring it had been necessary to raise the sum of \$100,000 to "put Lorimer over at Springfield."

WILD MAN CAUGHT IN HIS CAVE

Had Long Hair and Refuses to Talk After Having Been Placed in Jail.

HOUSTON, Texas, April 21.—Reports have been received from Marlin, Texas, of the capture of a "wild man," who has been terrorizing that vicinity for several months. The capture was made by Sheriff Poole who is at a loss to know what to do with his charge, from whom he can secure no information.

For several months a mysterious person had been reported to the officers. The informants described him as the proverbial wild man of the circus, but thorough search was unavailing. It was thought the story was only an illusion, the reports heretofore having been from negroes.

Recently the sheriff was notified by white persons of the certainty of the existence of the "wild man." The intruder visited a farm house and compelled two little girls to cook some food for him but he offered no violence. He disappeared that day, but officers discovered a cave which had the appearance of human habitation. Ashes, bones, leaves, and straw were found scattered about, the latter for bedding.

The officers lay in wait and that night captured the man as he entered his cave. His clothing was torn into tatters, his person neglected and his hair ten inches long, hanging below his shoulders, while his beard indicated growth of an indefinite period. He offered no resistance and was taken to jail. Nothing is known of him, he refuses to talk and the officers are at a loss to determine his disposal.

BURNING THE MIDNIGHT OIL

Parliament Does Most of its Work at Night Instead of by Sunlight.

LONDON, April 21.—In the interest of saner legislation, influential members of the house of commons are trying to persuade parliament to do its work by daylight in future. Arthur Lynch, a nationalist, started the movement. He has several powerful supporters but they have yet to overcome a vigorous sentiment in favor of everything that is time-honored simply because it is time-honored.

In theory parliament's sessions end at 11 p. m. In fact they extend, as often as not, to two or three in the morning. It is not even uncommon for adjournment to come after daybreak. Once this spring the commons stuck to business until 10 a. m. and resumed it at noon.

Lynch's contention is that there is "certain aspect of absurdity in legislating in normal times after midnight." He says: "It makes the commons look ridiculous. In addition to this, he complains of the 'neurasthenia inseparable from debate in the small hours' and would put an end to it 'except possibly in time of impending war.'"

Clarence Green, driver of the Tenth street fire reel, is improving nicely at the hospital after a recent operation for an abnormal growth of his nose.

This afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, funeral services were held for the late Mrs. Mary A. Garthoff at the Albert Strahn residence, 1627 Williams street.

Rev. Jacob Nuesch of St. Paul's Evangelical church preached the funeral sermon and members of St. Paul's choir were present to sing. Interment was made in the family lot in Oakland cemetery. The following gentlemen assisted as body bearers: Theo. Rode, James Cameron, Sr., Wm. Klingbiel, Jno. Salzer, Fred Koehling and Albert Strahn.

HAS THREE WIVES, LOVES BUT ONE

Lutheran Minister Who Has Quit the Pulpit Does Not Believe That He Should be Blamed.

ARE FOUR CHILDREN

Deacons of Church Forced Him into First Wedding and Second Wife Was After His Money.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 21.—Kurtz Carlson, who says his real name is Kurtz Mueller, and that he is an ordained Lutheran minister, pleaded guilty in municipal court to having three wives living. He was arraigned on complaint of the third wife, whom he described as his "true love," and in his story to the court he said he thought his first marriage "should not be held against him."

These are the three wives and the reasons he married or left them, as given by Mueller:

Wife No. 1—Kate Mazer Mueller of Sutton, Neb.; married her because deacons of his church said it was not good for a young pastor to remain unmarried; after four years left her, because of her simplicity of mind and his own "elevated mentality." She is the mother of three of his children.

Wife No. 2—Annie Deblock Mueller of Detroit, Mich.; she married him for his money ten months after he left his first wife; after two months she left him; is the mother of one child.

Wife No. 3—Amelia Fehl Carlson, Chicago; his "true love," married her eighteen months ago in Chicago.

Mueller has been working as an electrician, but gave the following as his personal history:

"I hail from a family of Lutheran ministers and am ordained as such myself. My father was a minister at Alpena, Mich., until his death, two years ago; an uncle is a minister at Paxton, Ill., and a brother is a Lutheran minister in Wisconsin somewhere. I was educated for the ministry at Springfield and Saginaw, and my first charge was at Sutton, Neb., when I was 22 years of age."

"I knew my first wife only three days, so I don't think that should be held against me. My second bride was after my money, so you see I was not at fault there, especially since she knew I was not divorced."

"But when I met my present wife I resolved to begin life anew. My uncle in Paxton told her my history and that caused trouble."

He was held to the grand jury in bonds of \$2,000.

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FRED Z. GOSBOWSCH, Observer.

ALIBI MEANS HER REPUTATION

Woman Throws Away Her Good Name in Order to Save Doctor From Going to the Penitentiary.

HIS SPARTAN COURAGE

Convicted Man Would Have Died on the Gallows Rather Than Tell the Truth of One Night

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 21.—James Schmidt, whose wife, Mrs. Anita Schmidt, has gone to Chicago in the hope of saving Dr. Clemenson under a sentence of life imprisonment for murder, said today he is willing to forgive his wife if she returns.

The Woman's Story. CHICAGO, April 21.—A woman, long silent, tossed her good name into the discard yesterday in a desperate gamble for the liberation and exoneration of Dr. Haldane Clemenson, convicted uxoricide.

In an eleven hour effort to save the physician from spending the rest of his days in prison Mrs. Anita Schmidt, wife of a St. Louis liquor dealer, confessed that she had been Clemenson's "affinity" and establish an apparent alibi for him.

Mrs. Schmidt was with the doctor on a slumming tour, according to the affidavit in which she disclosed her dual life, when his wife died.

Dr. Clemenson, about to be sent to the penitentiary at Joliet to begin his life sentence, said yesterday that it had been his only thought at first to shield Mrs. Schmidt. Returning home intoxicated, he found his wife dead in bed, he said, and fabricated a burglary story so that her death might not appear a suicide and darken the lives of his children.

Clemenson's attorneys will ask for a new trial. Mrs. Schmidt telegraphed she will come to Chicago to tell the authorities her story. Eight other affidavits are in the possession of Isaiah Clemenson, father of the physician, who lives at 1744 Birchwood avenue. The supreme court's refusal to grant Clemenson a rehearing yesterday precipitated the disclosures.

"I was with Dr. Clemenson from 8 p. m. to 4 a. m. on the night his wife died," Mrs. Schmidt telegraphed from St. Louis. "He is innocent. Some months ago I volunteered to come forward and tell the truth, but he insisted that I remain silent."

"Clemenson has suffered with Spartan courage to protect my name."

At the county jail Clemenson said Mrs. Schmidt's move had been taken on her own initiative.

"I would have died on the gallows," he said, "before I revealed her name. Certainly I perjured myself at my first trial. There was nothing else to do. That night I had been with Mrs. Schmidt in a number of saloons, and when I arrived home I was intoxicated. I did what I could to avoid telling the truth, but I was neither a good liar nor a good guesser."

Clemenson said the new affidavits had been shown to Assistant State's Attorney Northrup, who prosecuted him. Northrup, he said, refused to intercede.

Balloon Wrecked.

BERLIN, April 21.—Ill luck continued to pursue the German dirigible balloons today when the Parseval, which started from here to Amsterdam in the first aerial passenger trip on record, crashed into a tree at Hamburg. The fare was \$125 and there were four passengers. The balloon was released from the tree and again started on its voyage but fell in a marsh and had to be wrecked and sent back to Berlin in pieces.

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