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TWO ALLENS ELECTROCUTED AFTER GOVERNOR BALKS EFFORT TO ESCAPE CHAIR

Virginia Court House Slayers Had Sought Commutation of Sentence at Eleventh Hour, While Mann Was Absent From State.

RICHMOND, Va., March 28.—Floyd Allen and his son, Claude, the only two of the Hillsville gunmen to pay the death penalty for the Carroll Courthouse murders a year ago, were electrocuted in the State Penitentiary shortly after 1 P. M. to-day, after a dramatic eleventh hour attempt to save them had been thwarted by Gov. Mann unexpectedly returning to the Capitol and thus preventing the Lieutenant-Governor from acting upon a request for a commutation.

The old mountaineer, once the terror of a whole section of the Blue Ridge, and his strapping son were electrocuted within ten minutes of each other. The old man, who went to the chair shaken but brave, was pronounced dead at 1:26 o'clock. His son, namesake of a United States Senator, was dead at 1:35.

Father and son, occupying separate cells, heard the death warrants read a few minutes after 1 o'clock. Tears were in Floyd Allen's eyes as he looked upon his boy, who stood firm behind the steel bars across the corridor. There was a pathetic farewell as the old mountaineer, bent and feeble, was led away. The guards on either side of him held his arms as they marched through the door into the death chamber. Two minutes after he entered the room the signal was given and the current was turned on.

CLAUDE ALLEN COOL AS HE MET DEATH.

When the prison surgeon announced that Floyd Allen was dead the body was hastily removed and the guards went back for Claude, who walked in briskly and with measured stride, glanced coolly at the witnesses. There was less delay in arranging the scene for the second execution, one minute clapping before the power was applied. Floyd Allen was uttering a prayer as Claude was placed in the chair, but Claude was stoic. Rev. George W. McDaniel, spiritual adviser to the prisoners, had to be lifted into his car as he left the prison.

Under a banner that centred the lights of half a dozen powerful incandescent bulbs stood the grim chair, awaiting its victim. The remainder of the room, save for a dim radiance behind a steel screen where the switches that controlled the deadly current were concealed, was almost in darkness. The brilliant light that played on the chair of death. The victims could not see those who were State's witnesses to their deaths.

The last attempt to save the Allens was sprung just after midnight this

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GOV. SULZER OFFERS OUR TWENTY-SECOND REGIMENT TO OHIO.

Word was received in this city to-day from Albany by National Guard officers that Gov. Sulzer had wired the Governor of Ohio offering him the services of the Twenty-second Regiment, Engineers, N. G. Y. No regiment is said to be whether or not the offer had been accepted.

Col. Walter Bryant Hotelkin, in command of the regiment, had received an official communication this afternoon, but said that the regiment, if ordered to the field, could be assembled in less than twenty-four hours.

The Twenty-second Engineer Regiment consists of twelve companies, commanded by Col. Hotelkin, with Lieut.-Col. John C. R. Lillendahl, second in command. The battalion commanders are: Major Edward P. MacGregory, First Battalion; Major Walter B. Porter, Second Battalion; and Major Albert H. Dyett, Third Battalion. Capt. W. D. A. Anderson, C. E., United States Army, is attached to the regiment.

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BISHOP ASKS COURT TO JAIL WIFE FOR TAKING DAUGHTER

Banker Declares Spouse Has Violated Judge's Order Giving Him Child.

MADE STATION SCENE.

Mother's Actions Made Daughter Refuse to Go With Him, Husband Alleges.

James Cunningham Bishop, a millionaire banker, whose wife, Mrs. Abigail Hancock Bishop, is suing him for a divorce, asked Justice Plazek in the Supreme Court to-day to order that Mrs. Bishop be confined to the Ludlow Street Jail as punishment for her alleged contempt of an order signed by Justice Hendrick, which Mr. Bishop is intending to give her the custody of Natalie, the fifteen-year-old daughter of the couple.

According to Henry W. Taft, brother of the former President, and attorney for the banker, two rival parties—the one headed by Mr. Bishop and the other by Mrs. Bishop—were waiting in the Grand Central station, when the train arrived bringing Natalie from her boarding school in Connecticut, for her husband's vacation. No sooner did pretty Miss Natalie put foot on the station platform than, according to Mr. Taft, Mrs. Bishop created such a "scene" that Natalie refused to go with her father, accompanying her mother instead to the Ritz-Carlton Hotel, where she has since remained.

ATTORNEY ARGUES FOR PUNISHMENT OF MRS. BISHOP.

The mooted order of Justice Hendrick, which awarded Mrs. Bishop \$2,000 a year alimony pending the trial of the divorce action, is said to give Mr. Bishop the custody of the four oldest of the five daughters, permitting Mrs. Bishop to retain only the youngest, seven years old. Mr. Posner informed the Court he had letters to show that Miss Natalie far preferred the society of her mother to that of her father. Finally Justice Plazek adjourned the hearing until 4 o'clock this afternoon and directed that Mr. Posner should at that time hand up to the bench the letters he had described.

Mr. Taft opened the argument in behalf of the motion to put Mrs. Bishop in jail.

"Why Mrs. Bishop left her home in East Sixty-fifth street and went to live at the Ritz-Carlton I am unable to understand," he said. "Justice Hendrick was moved to award her such generous alimony partly so that she could maintain her family home."

"Although Mr. Bishop and I did our best to prevent a scene when Natalie arrived from the boarding school last Tuesday, Mrs. Bishop and Mr. Posner were there at the Grand Central, and through Mr. Posner's advice Mrs. Bishop took Natalie away with her. In view of Justice Hendrick's order, Mrs. Bishop should be punished for contempt and Mr. Posner should be disciplined."

Says Child Did "As Her Affections Prompted."

To this Mr. Posner replied: "There would have been no occasion for a scene at the station, had Mr. Taft kept Mrs. Bishop and her representative, George Coggill, away. But there they stood, and the moment Natalie appeared she ran and threw her arms about her mother's neck, crying she wanted to go home with mother."

"And the young girl did as her affections prompted, even though her father kept telling her she ought to be an obedient child and do as the court directed. Why, Mr. Bishop even got one of his older daughters to try to persuade Natalie to abandon her mother, but she will go back to school a week from next Tuesday, and she wants to remain with her mother until then."

SUPREME COURT JUSTICE KILLED IN ELEVATOR SHAFT

Justice Bischoff Plunges From Eleventh Floor of Emigrants' Bank Building.

ON WAY TO HIS ROOMS.

Elevator Boy Unable to Give Connected Story—Inside Door Not Closed.

Justice Henry Bischoff, on the bench of the Supreme Court since 1896, lost his life this afternoon by falling down an elevator shaft in the Emigrants' Savings Bank Building, on Chambers street, back of the County Court-house, eleven floors to the basement.

No one but Henry Pearl, the elevator boy in charge of the car, saw the accident happen and Pearl in his excitement could not give to Superintendent Travers of the building a very clear story of how the fatality came to pass. It was evident from his story, supplemented by the statement of Howard B. Sands, the Justice's secretary, that Justice Bischoff's falling sight was directly responsible for his death.

Justice Bischoff's chambers were on the thirteenth floor of the bank building. He left his rooms near noon to go out to lunch and returned alone to take the elevator to the thirteenth floor at just 2 o'clock. Usually the Justice accompanies him to lunch and sends him into the elevator because of his acute near-sightedness; but to-day Sands preceded the Justice to his chambers and was waiting for him to come in.

There are eight cars in the main corridor of the Emigrants' Bank Building. Justice Bischoff stepped into one which was empty and the starter gave the signal to go up.

Just after the car had passed the eleventh floor the Justice suddenly started forward, evidently thinking that he had passed his floor, or was just coming to it. Before Pearl, the elevator boy, knew what was transpiring the Justice had reached the edge of the elevator.

INSIDE DOOR OF ELEVATOR NOT CLOSED.

The inside door of the elevator—that is, the screen attached to the elevator proper and supposed to be closed during the ascent or descent of the car—was not closed on this trip. Consequently when Justice Bischoff stepped forward his head came in violent collision with the back of the glass-faced indicator dial set in the frame of the elevator cage doorway at the eleventh floor.

That blow in itself must have been sufficient to stun the Justice, if not to kill him instantly. The whole back of the indicator was carried away and the Justice's body sagged forward into the narrow space between the edge of the car and the closed door of the eleventh floor.

The car must have continued upward for a fraction of a second, for the upward thrust of its floor threw the limp body of the Justice forward so that even his legs were clear of the car. Then he slipped through the narrow opening and plunged down eleven stories into the elevator buffers in the basement.

BODY FOUND IN BASEMENT TERRIBLY MANGLED.

His body struck a crossbeam near the bottom of the shaft and time again was torn off by the shearing contact. His body and head were terribly crushed—so much so that the first identification had to be made through the same on the good watch in his pocket.

John Purroy Mitchell was in his office on the seventh floor when the crash fell. Secretary Sands, that Justice Bischoff had just been killed.

News of the fatality spread rapidly through the building and Justices Feneston, Gay and Newburger got the report in their offices and hurried down to the floor floor. Checks and short accounts from the corporation were swapped the crowd that gathered around the elevator shaft while the engineer and some assistants tenderly lifted the body out



JUSTICE HENRY BISCHOFF.

SENTENCE OF GIRL IN LOAN SHARK CASE UPHELD BY COURTS

Appellate Division Rules Miss Bauman Must Pay \$250 Fine or Go to Tombs.

The Justice of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court to-day affirmed, without opinion, the judgment of the Court of Special Sessions which convicted Nan Bauman, an employee of the State Trading Company, a so-called "loan shark" corporation, for violating section 314 of the Banking Law, usury of a note of less than \$200, and her sentence to pay a fine of \$250 or be confined in the Tombs for sixty days was upheld.

Miss Bauman's duty was to interview prospective borrowers and make arrangements for loans. The borrower in the case she was convicted on, was given various papers to sign, the purpose of which was to make the transaction appear to be a loan consummated in the State of Maine. One of these papers was a power of attorney authorizing the person named therein to make and sell notes on behalf of the borrower, the note to take place in Maine. Pursuant to the power of attorney, a sale was made and a check for the proceeds returned to the borrower. The check was handed to the borrower by the defendant and payment of the loan was made to her. The charge for the loan was at the rate of 150 per cent. per annum.

The amount of the loan asked for by the borrower was \$5 and he was given a check for \$11.80, and he agreed to make seven payments of \$2 a week and a last payment of \$1. The difference of \$20 between the amount asked for and the amount actually received was the interest the corporation charged for a loan of \$5 for eight weeks. Every time the borrower made a payment he was given a check made out to a person in Maine and instructed to put the check in an addressed envelope which was handed him. These envelopes were immediately mailed to the address in Maine.

ROCKEFELLER GIVES \$5,000 FOR RELIEF; FRICK SENDS \$10,000.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—John D. Rockefeller and Henry C. Frick today sent the Red Cross Society checks for \$5,000 and \$10,000 respectively for the flood relief fund.

Sunday World Wants Work Monday Wonders.

WORTH OF PARIS HERE, SAYS NEW GOWNS WILL BE STILL MORE DARING

Dressmaker Comes in Effort to Stop Imitations of Parisian Frocks.

Jacques Worth, the man designer of Paris, was a passenger on the Mauretania, which reached here to-day. Mons. Worth says he has come over here to consult with the big importers and manufacturers of gowns.

"With other big manufacturers," said he, "I am trying to stamp out the fraudulent imitations of Paris gowns. Dealers and dressmakers in this country try to create cheap imitations, but put our names in the gowns."

"What do you think of the new crusade of American gowns for American women?" he was asked.

Mons. Worth smiled and raised his eyebrows deprecatingly.

"The American women are too fond of the Parisian styles," he answered. "Because they are so daring!" was asked.

"Precisely so. And the gowns for this season are going to be more daring than ever."

"Goodness!" exclaimed the ship news reporter. "There won't be anything left at all for the women to wear?"

"Oh, yes there will," responded the dressmaker. "We must leave them something, otherwise the dressmakers will have to go out of business."

RELIEF TRAIN REACHES THE FLOODED SECTION WITH 300,000 RATIONS

Troops in Control at All the Flooded Cities Aid in Rescuing Thousands of Persons Marooned Since Tuesday Without Food.

SIXTY FAMISHING NUNS SAVED FROM AN ACADEMY

United States Troops Called at Columbus to Quell a Panic Among the Searchers for the Dead.

A Government relief train carrying 300,000 rations reached Columbus, O., this afternoon. Gov. Cox ordered the train to Zanesville, O., where 10,000 are homeless.

Supplies of all kinds are pouring into the flooded districts of Ohio and Indiana. It is believed that all the hungry will have been fed by night, and that a great majority of the refugees will have been provided with shelter.

Soldiers held up and arrested in Dayton a man who was trying to get out of town with \$50,000 worth of diamonds in a satchel. He had stolen the gems from a downtown jewelry store during the flood.

The response to appeals for aid has been most hearty. Unless there should be further floods little difficulty will be experienced in caring for the destitute and sick.

LATEST FIGURES PUT DEAD AT 800.

As the districts affected by the flood are being opened up by rescuing and relief parties reports of the number of dead are rapidly diminishing the first estimates. It is not believed that the total of drowned will exceed 800 in Ohio and Indiana, and the number may fall below that. No lives were lost in the fire in Dayton.

All the cities in Ohio which were reached by the floods are under martial law. Gov. Cox has practically placed the State under military control. As the water subsides thieves and ghouls have begun to loot, and orders have been given that such prowlers were to be shot on sight. The soldiers are prepared to carry out this order and news that some wretch has been killed while robbing the dead or the homes of the flood sufferers is expected at any time.

The flood is disappearing as rapidly as it accumulated. Men are walking in city streets that were twenty feet under water on Tuesday night.

SIGHTSEERS ARE ALL BARRED.

No sightseers are to be allowed in Dayton, Columbus or Zanesville until those cities are again in normal shape. Guards are turning back all who have not legitimate business in the flood ruins. Gov. Cox has called on sanitary experts for advice about sanitary regulations in the cities where the sewer systems have been destroyed. Orders have already been issued in Dayton for the construction of cesspools in the residential districts.

The list of fatalities in Ohio based on reports from cities in which the number of drowned was supposed to have been heaviest numbers about 700 persons. Estimates place the number who died in the floods in Indiana at 102.

Dayton, and Columbus, Ohio, are clear of water. Dayton swarms with soldiers busy with relief work. Railroad transportation has been opened into the heart of the flooded districts and long lines of relief trains are on the way.

Thousands of persons have been rescued in the past ten hours from points of peril in which they have been marooned since Tuesday without food or drinking water. Under the competent direction of the Red Cross, the State militia officers and the United States Army, the work of relief is proceeding systematically and effectively.

The chief danger now is from pestilence from the mud and refuse and the lack of pure water. Trained physicians have been sent to the danger points to watch for the first outbreaks of typhoid and kindred diseases. At points where sickness has shown quarantines have been established.

Gov. Cox has ordered that any one attempting to sell a newspaper in Dayton be arrested. The principal paper reaching the city now is the Springfield News, owned by Gov. Cox, and he has ordered the paper distributed free.

GIRL AT TEACHERS' COLLEGE SEIZED AS LOCKER THIEF

Barnard Student Also Identifies Miss Elsie Schmidt as Suspicious Visitor.

Miss Elsie E. Schmidt, a pretty and fashionably dressed woman of twenty-four, of No. 152 Lincoln place, Brooklyn, was arrested to-day in the basement of the Teachers' College in the Grand and Twentieth streets, near Broadway, on a charge of unlawful entry and was held for trial in \$500 bail by Magistrate Campbell in Harlem Court.

Several of the young women in the college and also students in Barnard have been reporting thefts from their lockers for months. So many garments, pocketbooks and fur pieces have been stolen from Barnard that the girls formed their own detective force and took it upon them to watch the lockers.

In the Teachers' College the same trouble was had and watchers were busy to-day when Miss Schmidt, who had applied for a course in German, entered the building. She had with her a handsome black bag in which was a fur neckpiece.

Supt. Charles H. Beane saw Miss Schmidt try a number of the lockers. He left a student to watch her and got Detective Trayer of the West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth street station. The detective arrested the woman.

Miss Schmidt told Magistrate Campbell that several days ago she had taken the fur piece from in her bag by mistake and that she did not find out the error until she was at home.

"I came back and was anxious to get to the right locker and replace the fur," she said. "I was trying to find this locker when I was arrested."

Miss Dorothy Fitch, one of the Barnard detective students, who has been taking a turn at watching the lockers of that institution, testified that she had seen Miss Schmidt trying the lockers in her college a month ago. She was positive in her identification and on her testimony Magistrate Campbell held the prisoner for trial.

Miss Schmidt told nothing about her family or her personal history. She said that she was arranging for a course in German at the Teachers' College and that the whole matter was a mistake.

SCUTARI AGAIN ATTACKED BY MONTENEGRIN ARMY.

BELGRADE, Serbia, March 28.—The Montenegrin army opened a furious attack on all sides of the fortress of Scutari to-day by order of King Nicholas.

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