

# POTHIER CLEARS ROSENBLUTH IN CRONKHITE CASE

Repudiates "Confession" in Which He Accused Former Captain of Killing.

KILLED BY A BULLET.

Board of Inquiry Returned Verdict That Death Was Due to Accident.

The World to-day prints a complete repudiation by Roland Pothier of his "confession" in which he alleged he had shot Major Alexander P. Cronkhite, on Oct. 25, 1918, and charged Capt. Robert Rosenbluth with ordering the crime.

While on a practice hike at Camp Lewis, Washington, Major Cronkhite, the son of Major Gen. Cronkhite, was killed by a bullet which entered his right breast and passed horizontally through his body. Two men were near him—Pothier, who was acting as his orderly, and Rosenbluth, who had run up from the head of his company. The Board of Inquiry returned a verdict of "death by the accidental discharge of his own revolver."

Pothier, in Providence, March 17, admitted that he killed Major Cronkhite, saying that regardless of the fact that ammunition had not been issued and was forbidden, he joined the Major in firing at a target. As Rosenbluth came up, he attempted to unload his revolver and it exploded. As the Major fell, Rosenbluth caught him. The report spread that Major Cronkhite shot himself by accident, and Pothier did not contradict it.

According to Pothier, after this admission he was "hounded by James J. Lee and Billups Harris of the Department of Justice until he assented to their story that Capt. Rosenbluth fired the shot which killed Major

Cronkhite. He was questioned for hours in the Pennsylvania Hotel here he said, by the Major's mother and Private Detective William A. Jones, but he insisted on withdrawing his "Rosenbluth confession."

Agent Lee denies that the statement of Pothier accusing Capt. Rosenbluth was instigated by him or the other investigators. He stated that the unreliability of Pothier and his "bad record in the service" were the reasons urged by Major Gen. A. L. Bert Cronkhite, father of the dead officer, in insisting on an authoritative second investigation of his son's death.

Pothier, back to his old job as a New Haven brakeman, is living near Central Falls, R. I.

Preparing for Midshipmen's Cruise.

Three American battleships, the Connecticut, South Carolina and Montana, left here to-day for Hampton Roads. After coaling they will join the Kansas and Minnesota at Annapolis, where they will take on board a contingent of midshipmen for the annual practice cruise to Norway, Lisbon and Gibraltar.

## DELAY TELEPHONE DECISION.

Public Service Board Will Announce Rate on Thursday.

The five members of the Public Service Commission will reconvene in this city on Thursday. Chairman Prendergast announced to-day, to the public, his decision on the application of Assistant Corporation Counsel M. M. Fertig for a modification of the recent 25 per cent increase in telephone rates.

While Mr. Prendergast admitted that a decision had been reached, he said that out of deference to counsel for both the City of New York and the telephone company, he would announce the result from the bench on Thursday.

Both sides were optimistic in claiming a victory.

Portuguese Cabinet Out; New One Sought.

LISBON, May 23 (Associated Press).—A communication from the military junta which planned Saturday's demonstrations against the Government says that no pressure will be exercised to impose a new cabinet, the choice of which is to be left to the President of the Republic, who has telegraphed various leaders of political parties to form a new Ministry.

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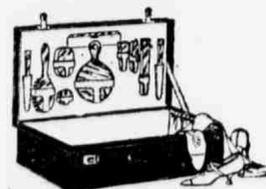
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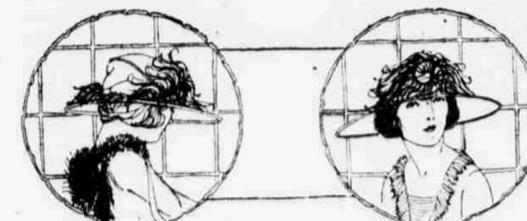
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