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## Gunmen Get \$5,000 in Restaurant Hold-up; One Robber Is Shot

### MRS. HALL IN ANGRY MOOD TWO DAYS BEFORE MURDER. PROSECUTOR NOW LEARNS

New Evidence Shows Smouldering Bitterness Swayed Home of Rector.  
WIFE WAS 'SUSPICIOUS.'  
Minister Hastened to Mrs. Mills When He Found She Had Learned Something.

(Special From a Staff Correspondent of The Evening World.)  
NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Nov. 23.—A state of smouldering anger and suspicion in the second week of September in the home of the Rev. Edward Wheeler Hall is revealed by witnesses whose confidence has been gained by the investigators working under the direction of Special Deputy Attorney General Mott and James Mason, his chief detective, in the Hall-Mills murder case. It is to be presented to the Grand Jury when it returns to its study of the murders Monday.

The testimony of Mrs. Emma Voorhees, twenty years old, of which much has been made, is regarded by the Prosecutor's office as only of passing importance.  
Life on Easton Road, on the outskirts of New Brunswick, was hectic on the night the Rev. Mr. Hall and Mrs. Mills are believed to have been killed. This has been sufficiently established by a cloud of witnesses brought to light in the murder investigation, although their stories may or may not have had any bearing on the murder case.

The testimony of Mrs. Voorhees, who lived about two miles from the Phillips farm, was that she saw an angry quarrel between two automobiles elsewhere and taken to the road saw both automobiles go at a furious speed back toward New Brunswick and the Phillips farm. This is taken by Special Deputy Attorney General Mott as merely confirming the general prevalence of night disorders in that neighborhood.  
"The Italians are at it again," Kitty Fraley called to her mother in their home across De Runsey Lane from the Phillips farm when she heard the shots that undoubtedly ended the lives of the minister and his choir singer.

Mr. Mott does not want the Grand Jurors to feel that anything is being held back from them. He does not want it said that the Grand Jurors did not have full facilities for passing judgment on the persistent story that Mr. Hall and Mrs. Mills were killed under the crabapple tree.  
But it has already been established that a party of Negro highwaymen robbed an automobile party on Easton Road that night; that a highly "respectable" church member was on a surreptitious jaunt with the daughter of a fellow church member in the same vicinity—and it is a strangely still night in Central New Jersey when the cracking of the small arms of high-jacking bootleggers is not

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### A VALUABLE GUIDE FOR HOMESEEKERS

The popularity of The Sunday World Real Estate Section seems to increase with each succeeding issue. Home-seekers and investors find it contains all the real estate information worth while. Read the interesting housing announcements next Sunday.

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### ROBBERS WRECK BANK, SHOOTING MAYOR, MARSHAL

Six Escape With \$4,000 After Fighting Gun Battle With Citizens.

FAIL TO FIND \$30,000.

Heavy Explosion Wakes Whole Town and Stuns Robbers Themselves.

GALLATIN, Mo., Nov. 23.—The Mayor, the Town Marshal and a hotel keeper were wounded and the First National Bank badly damaged when robbers raided Gallatin early today. They escaped with \$4,000 after cutting lines of communication.  
Six robbers, believed to be of the Kansas City underworld, perpetrated the sensational raid. They were discovered at work on the vault of the bank at 4 o'clock this morning by Marshal John Chamberlain. A brief tussle ensued in which Chamberlain was captured. The raiders proceeded with their work.  
Explosives set before the vault caused two tremendous shocks that wakened the entire town. Clouds of smoke rolled from the bank as furniture and fixtures were hurled in all directions, partitions reduced to kindling and windows blown out. The heavy safe parted like a cardboard box.  
Stunned by the unexpectedly heavy blasts, the robbers forgot Chamberlain, who opened fire. After an exchange of shots, Chamberlain fell.

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### CHILDERS REFUSED WRIT OF HABEAS BY CHANCERY COURT

London Denies He Already Is Deported, but Declines to Give Whereabouts.

DUBLIN, Nov. 23 (Associated Press).—A writ of habeas corpus was refused Erskine Childers, Lieutenant of Eamon De Valera, by the Master of the Rolls today.  
To an application by Patrick Lynch, Childers' counsel, for a stay of execution the Judge replied that he could not give it, as he had no jurisdiction.  
In refusing the writ, the Master declared he must take judicial notice of the fact that southern Ireland had been enduring a state of war for months, and that plainly it was the duty of the government, whether provisional or finally constituted, to preserve and save the country from destruction. Force must be met by force.  
Childers had entered the Civil Court for protection, while proclaiming himself a soldier of the Irish Republic. The answer must be that the court's jurisdiction was ousted by the state of war, which Childers himself had helped to produce.  
The Master held that his ruling also applied to the eight other prisoners, whose names have not been announced.

LONDON, Nov. 23 (Associated Press).—The Colonial Office has denied that Erskine Childers had been sent by the Provisional Irish Free State Government to Ascension Island, although the officials declined to state where he is being held. "Ascension Island" is believed here to be merely a slang name for one of the islands off the Irish coast which is being used by the Free State as a detention camp.

PACKERS MERGER TO GO BEFORE HINDING  
WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—Legal aspects of the proposed merger of the Armour and Morris packing interests are under study by the Department of Justice, it was learned today, with a view of laying a comprehensive formal report before the Cabinet at an early meeting.

### SPEECHES OF TIGER HERE STIR OFFICIAL WASHINGTON; OVATION ON WAY TO BOSTON

White House Fears Country May Be Influenced by What He Says.

NOTHING NEW SAID.

But Old Arguments Are Made Effective—Harding Change of View Forecast.

By David Lawrence.  
(Special Correspondent of The Evening World.)  
WASHINGTON, Nov. 23 (Copyright).—The Clemenceau visit to America is beginning to take on a much more serious aspect than the mere lecture trip of a distinguished statesman.  
Unofficial, informal, absolutely disconnected from the Government of France and "without a mission" in the formal sense, nevertheless the confessed effort of the former Premier of France to influence American public opinion has drawn fire from those in the United States Senate who fear America may be influenced by what M. Clemenceau writes or says.  
The United States Government, meaning President Harding and Secretary Hughes, who are charged with the responsibility of foreign policy, faces an awkward and delicate situation. To reply to M. Clemenceau means taking official cognizance of the controversy which the Administration here is particularly anxious to avoid, especially since the press of domestic questions is making antagonisms and factions enough.  
But M. Clemenceau's utterances and writings will not go unanswered. He has his defenders as well as his opponents in this country, and whatever may be the final judgment of the American people as to the concrete questions raised by the former Premier, he has already accomplished one object—he has stirred up foreign questions anew and focused attention on them.  
There have been signs that European matters would be forced to the front anyhow by that group of international co-operationists in the Republican and Democratic Parties who believe the plight of Europe is inseparably interwoven in the prosperity of America and the future of our exports, trade particularly agricultural products.  
Hints have been coming from the White House that the calling of all

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### MISHAPS ON SUBWAY AND ELEVATED LINES DELAY THOUSANDS

Trains Break Down at Rush Hour Peak—Uptown and Brooklyn Travellers Are Late.

Several thousand persons were delayed in getting to their work in Manhattan this morning when mechanical trouble developed on a three-car train on the Culver line of the B. R. T. elevated near the Brooklyn entrance of the Brooklyn Bridge. The trouble occurred at 8:15 o'clock and mechanics had repaired the difficulty at 9:20 o'clock.  
The delay took place at the very peak of the rush hour, but the crowds were well handled by police and passengers on the elevated were given black tickets to continue on their way to Manhattan aboard surface cars. Many of these walked across the bridge. When the stalled train had been repaired it continued to Manhattan and resumed service.  
A leak in the air brake line of a Kingsbridge-Jerome Avenue express, southbound, at 8:20 o'clock this morning caused a tie-up of fifteen minutes in the Lexington Avenue subway at the 86th Street express station. This affected all succeeding trains on both the Jerome Avenue and the West Farms branches. Trains "piled up" as far north as 149th Street on the West Farms branch and 161st Street on the Jerome Avenue branch. Thousands of persons were late in resuming their work as a result of the delay.

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### DEMOCRAT APPOINTED TO U. S. SUPREME COURT

Pierce Butler of St. Paul Chosen to Succeed Davis.  
WASHINGTON, Nov. 23 (Associated Press).—President Harding announced today to the Senate the appointment of Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, Pierce Butler of St. Paul, Minn., to succeed Chief Justice William Howard Taft.  
Mr. Butler is a Democrat. He has been a practicing attorney in Minnesota since 1884 and has been counsel for the Government in a number of important cases. He is a native of Dakota County, Minn., and is 65 years old.

### GUNMEN HOLD UP 11 IN RESTAURANT, ONE SHOT BY COP

Four Robbers Line Up Women and Men—Get \$5,000 Gems and Cash.

START OFF IN TAXI.

Policeman's Fire Brings One Down After Chase—Thugs Quickly Rounded Up.

Four young robbers, armed but unmasked, held up the proprietor, a clerk and nine patrons in Samuel Seaman's delicatessen and restaurant, 184 Manhattan Avenue, corner of 16th Street, at 1 A. M. today, getting between \$2,000 and \$5,000 in cash and jewelry.  
Six shots were fired at the taxicab in which they escaped by William West of No. 44 West 166th Street, a former policeman, who was eating in the place, and one of the robbers was wounded.  
The taxicab was found two hours later at First Avenue and 17th Street. There was a bullet hole in the back and in the door, the floor was covered with blood, and the card of one of the men robbed was found on a seat. Scattered about was \$7.  
Two men in the taxicab were detained and while the police were searching for the robber gang the wounded one appeared at St. Vincent's Hospital and within another hour all four of the band were under arrest.  
Seaman lives at No. 142 Vermilyea Avenue, Washington Heights. He and his clerk, Morris Schaeffer of No. 66 West 107th Street, were behind the counter when a yellow taxicab drove up in front of the place. Three women, including former Policeman West's wife, and six men, were eating at the tables in the back of the place, a full view of which can be had from the street.  
HOLD UP VICTIMS AT PISTOL POINT.  
The four men lined up in front of the counter, two with revolvers pointed at Seaman and his clerk, and the others with their right hands over what appeared to be weapons in their overcoat pockets. They ordered the two men to put up their hands, and two ran behind the counter, backed Seaman and Schaeffer up against the wall and took \$700 from the cash register.  
They then went through Seaman's pockets and got \$100 more, and from the clerk, \$65. Meanwhile the other two ran back into the dining room. "We just lost a couple of grand" (\$1,000), one said to the nine diners, "and we need some Jack. Sit still and don't move." They lined them all up against the wall.  
West and his wife had been at a reception and were in evening clothes. Twenty feet away in West's overcoat pocket was his revolver. He formerly was attached to the West 123d Street station and was retired Oct. 1, 1918.

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### 15 FIREMEN NEAR DEATH IN \$100,000 JERSEY FIRE

Shout Warns Men of Danger From Falling Walls.

ELIZABETH, N. J., Nov. 23.—Fifteen firemen escaped death tonight in a fire which raged in the South Front Street plant of the Heidtler Lumber Company late last night. A shout from a Deputy Chief warned the men in time.  
The blaze was of unknown origin. H. E. Wolff, secretary of the concern, placed the loss at \$100,000, all of which is fully covered by insurance.

### OLD NATIONAL LEAGUE UMPIRE PASSES AWAY

MANSEFIELD, O., Nov. 23.—Charles ("Sandy") McDermott, former National League baseball umpire, died here today after an illness of several months. He was about sixty years old. He umpired in the National League during 1886 to 1888.

### 84 DEATHS, 60 INJURED IN OFFICIAL REPORT OF COAL MINE EXPLOSION

Thirty-Eight Whites Killed, Twenty Injured—Sixty Rescued From Pocket in Which They Had Barricaded Themselves—Runaway Tram Caused Fire—Doctor Rescues Many.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Nov. 23.—Eighty-four lives were lost and sixty persons were injured, as a result of an accident and explosion yesterday in Dolomite No. 3 coal mine of the Woodward Iron Company, according to a statement issued at noon today by Frank H. Crookard.

Of the injured thirty-five were removed to their homes. Twenty-five were in hospitals. Work of identification at that hour had not been completed but it was believed that there were thirty-eight white dead and twenty white injured. Company officials announced that all bodies had been removed from the pit, in which 475 men were trapped by fire late yesterday.

Practically battling against afterdamp for three and one-half hours, sixty miners, pecketed in the forty-second west entry of the mine, were rescued after they had been given up for lost.

The sixty men working in the entry leading directly from the yard, were completely shut off from escape following the blast. Fearing to enter the shaft, all of the imprisoned men waited patiently for developments.

As minutes ran into hours, the afterdamp began to effect the trapped men. A brattice, or protecting wall of canvas, was then piled up to shut off the bad air. The insidious gas soon penetrated the temporary bulkhead and another was constructed.

When members of the rescue team arrived with oxygen helmets and other safety equipment, however, they found all the men still conscious, and they were conveyed to the surface in a state of nervous exhaustion.

Despite the fact he was feeling effects of the dread blackdamp, Dr. 260 Wright, a member of the first volunteer rescue crew to enter Shaft No. 2, battled desperately throughout the hours of the night and did not cease ministering to the dying until he himself had fallen unconscious by their side.

Shortly after the first rescue teams were organized last night, the physician offered his services. Entering the mine without an oxygen mask with members of the T. C. A. I. rescue team, Dr. Wright did not leave the cold, dark passageways until he was carried on a stretcher.

At least fifty were either killed or injured, when a train of trip cars running wild from the tipple crashed into the mine yard in the main entry.

More than 500 workers uninjured by the accident and blast that followed were trapped for several hours. Most of the injured men hurried themselves in groups in various places of safety.

These men were among the first to reach the outside with actual news of the terrible scenes inside the mine. They told of passing over bodies in the main entry and of seeing other miners injured and moaning for help or as the fatal afterdamp snuffed out their lives.

According to company officials, the explosion occurred simultaneously with the crash of three "skip" cars which ran "wild" down the slope to the mine "yards," approximately 1,100 feet from the entrance. These cars, breaking cable, while they were being hauled up the slope to the entrance, crashed downward, severing an electric circuit. This caused a spark and as the cars crashed into the "yards" in the interior of the mine, the explosion occurred. So great was the blast that the flames belched upward all the way to the mine entrance, approximately 1,100 feet, and then continued on 200 feet further to the mine tipple, setting this afire.

Fire, which followed the explosion, hindered the work of rescue and was believed to have been responsible for many lives.

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### SIX EX-DRY AGENTS ARE INDICTED BY OUSTED RUM JURY

Aided in Fraudulent Withdrawal of 4,900 Cases of Whiskey, Is Charge.

The Prohibition Grand Jury empaneled last September and dismissed with a rebuke by District Judge Foster handed up as the result of nearly three months of investigation six blanket indictments against 29 individuals and three corporations today. The chief indictment charges 21 individuals and two corporations with conspiring among themselves and with others unknown to the Grand Jury to defraud the United States of customs duties and internal revenue taxes on 4,900 cases of whiskey and 295 cases of champagne.

The other indictments charge violation of the National Prohibition Act and involve some of those named in the big indictment. Six of those indicted are former Prohibition agents. Those named in the main indictment, charging conspiracy to defraud the Government are:

Emmanuel H. Kessler, otherwise known as "Mannie" Kessler; Morris Sweetwood, also known as "Morris Wood" and "Morris Selahol"; Joseph Fox, also known as "Joe the Book"; Morris M. Becker; Morrey E. Brennan; George J. Schevitz, also known as "Frank L. Sullivan"; Peter L. Grimes, also known as "J. L. Peters"; Hartman Goldsmith; C. L. Aron; Mark Aron; Millard J. Friedberg; Robert Gottfried; George Jean De Mang; Roswell A. Saver; Irving Garrison; Joseph Passillo; George M. Fandell; Henry Greenwald; Abe Topitz; Albert Block.

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### JUDGE HUMPHREYS STRICKEN AT HOME

Queens Jurist Forced to Cancel His Work on Bench.

County Judge Burr J. Humphreys of Queens was taken violently ill at his home in Grand Avenue, Jamaica, today. Physicians who were called said they were not able to diagnose his condition immediately, but that it would be impossible for him to go to court.

For the second time since the Judge took office in 1904 the calendar was put over because of his illness.

### HARDING SENDS "WAGS" OF LADDIE BOY'S TAIL TO BOYS' CLUB MASCOOT

Lads of Natural Without Leave of Faithful Dog, He Writes "Live Wires."  
HARDWICK, Mass., Nov. 23.—President Harding, in a letter of good wishes for the success of the "Live Wires Club," an organization of boys here, sent the "wags" of Laddie Boy's tail to the club's mascot, a dog named "Laddie" who holds the post of club mascot.

Mr. Harding added: "Any good dog is doubtfully fond of boys and I do not believe a boy would be quite natural if he did not love a faithful dog."

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