

LOSER PLEA IN SPITE OF HIS YOUTH

LAW, NOT AGE OF SLAYER, CONSIDERED BY BOARD IN MOTERN CASE

HARRISBURG, Oct. 19.—Attorney General Brown today said that the State Board of Pardons, in refusing clemency yesterday to Henry Ward Motern, a seventeen-year-old Jefferson County boy, under death sentence for murder, that the law of the case was considered rather than the murderer's age.

Motern had a fair trial and was given every advantage the law allows," said Mr. Brown. "The board gave the case every consideration."

The case as presented to the board by Motern's counsel was based entirely upon the boy's age.

Motern is the son of B. F. Motern, an Olive township farmer. In 1914, when he was ten years old, he shot and killed William Haines, a neighborly farmer, at the request of Ernest Haines, a son of the murdered man. The son then robbed his father's body of \$250.

According to Motern's confession, Ernest Haines asked him if he "would do him a favor." This favor, he explained, was to shoot Haines' father the next day.

"What would your mother say?" Motern says he asked the Haines boy.

"Oh, that will be all right," young Haines replied.

Accordingly, Haines got a shotgun and shells and placed it under a bush near the path where his father would pass. The next day Motern shot Haines.

Counsel for Motern alleges that he had the mental development of a boy of fourteen years when the crime was committed. While no action has been taken, it is reported here that a new appeal will be filed in a second effort to save the boy's life.

BROOKVILLE, Pa., Oct. 20.—Henry Ward Motern today confessed the murder of William Haines, who was shot to death near his home at Sprankley Mills on March 10, 1914. Motern was convicted at the August term of court.

Ernest Haines, nineteen years old, a son of the murdered man, was also convicted of murder in the first degree at the August term of court, and is under sentence of death. Young Haines was convicted mainly on the strength of the confession of Motern.

U. S. DRIFTING TOWARD FOREIGN CRISIS CLIMAX

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Tirpitz party in the Reichstag has seriously threatened the power of the von Bethmann-Hollweg party, which apparently seeks to retain the friendship of the United States. State Department official admit this to be true, but are hoping that something will happen to avert an actual test of strength between the two parties.

The sentiment of the German people, which has never been friendly to the United States in the last year or so, is easily influenced by any slight decision or action of the United States which seems to affect German interests at this time. As a consequence, the Administration is up against the problem of exercising the greatest care in its relations with Germany for fear of arousing this latent distrust on the part of the German people for the United States.

It has been reported on apparently authoritative information that the real reason why the United States does not take up the Lusitania negotiations at this time is not because of American politics, as was reported, but because of German politics, which have reached a much more serious stage than the average person in this country is able to realize.

ARMENIAN RELIEF



"Well, brother Armenian, how goes it?" "Well, the Russians are freeing me of what the Turks left me."

man in the Administration. It is well known that Gerard has some definite ideas on the approaching trouble. As related two weeks ago, these ideas embrace three suggestions:

First. A tightening up of American relations with England and an insistence by this Government that Britain cease to violate international law.

Second. The construction of a fleet of 1000 submarine destroyers to show Germany that the American coast would not be helpless before the attack of German submarines.

Third. The construction of a well-equipped and powerful aviation service, able to do duty in scouting for submarines.

What the Administration will do in regard to the first suggestion remains to be seen. It is a sort of preventive suggestion and it seems entirely probable that after the November election some such step will be taken despite the fact that the State Department is sure that such a protest to Great Britain would avail nothing.

The other two suggestions are anticipatory of conditions that might arise if complications with Germany should come. The recent activities of Germany's submarines in the North Atlantic, and the prospect that Germany's warships are warning as to what might happen should the United States become involved in the war.

The Deutschland showed that they could enter two of the most vulnerable ports in the United States without observation and it is said that the United States observe that its own shores were not invulnerable to attack.

DESTROYERS POWERFUL WEAPON

It has been found in England that the so-called submarine destroyers, known in time of peace as motorboats, are all the British warships and nets put together. The Navy Department has already built two model submarine destroyers as a suggestion to Great Britain to build motorboats.

The Navy Department suggests that owners follow the ideas incorporated in these two boats if they wish to enroll themselves and their boats in the naval reserve.

Of the two boats built, one is a seventy-five-footer and cost about \$28,000. She mounts a six-pound gun, which, it is explained, is sufficient to put any submarine out of action. The other type of boat is fifty-footer and cost only \$12,000, mounting a three-pound gun. The department says that about twenty-five of these boats will be built by private owners this winter, with a prospect that forty or fifty more will be built next year.

As for Mr. Gerard's third suggestion, it probably will be some time before it can be fulfilled. There are now only twelve aeroplanes in active service at the border. Yesterday 120 more machines were ordered, all of which cannot be delivered for more than a year. This brings the total of aeroplanes in the United States army and navy up to fewer than 150 machines, not enough to make a dent in the number required.

However, preparedness advocates are already planning to go before Congress again this winter and urge the necessity of a strong aeroplane corps. It is hoped that appropriations may be obtained for at least 250 machines for next year, for by that time the facilities for manufacturing the machines will have been doubled and the number of available pilots will also have increased greatly, owing to the new rules under which civilians may receive training as pilots.

GIRL SAYS MAN FORCED HER TO LIVE WITH HIM

Accused Believed to Be Missing Son of New York Minister

A collector for a charitable organization, believed to be the son of a New York minister, is under arrest here accused of mistreating a runaway girl.

He is Charles Wesley, living near Eighteenth and Cherry streets. His accuser is Julia Puzalis, seventeen years old, who ran away from her home in Shenandoah three weeks ago with sixteen-year-old Blanche Gohert. She told the police that he forced her to live with him and sent her out as a collector for his organization. The whereabouts of the Puzalis girl became known when Mrs. Robert Elmer, of Wayne, who employed the Gohert girl, informed the police. The police believe that Wesley is the missing son of the Rev. S. J. Winchester, of New York, who asked that a search be made for his son, Charles Wesley D. Winchester. The prisoner will be arraigned in the Municipal Court today.

FUNERAL OF NORMAN PRINCE

American Aviator, Killed in Action, Honored in France

PARIS, Oct. 20.—Impressive funeral services were held today for Norman Prince, the American aviator, who died as a result of an aerial battle on the western front.

The ceremonies were attended by a representative of the War Minister, the American flying corps, many French and British aviators and almost all the Americans now in Paris.

The Court also decided that a successor to the former president of the Board of Aldermen, George A. McAneny, of Manhattan, should be elected at the next general election. McAneny resigned last year and F. J. Douling, vice chairman of the board, has since been acting president. His contention that he should serve the unexpired term of Mr. McAneny was not affirmed.

GET FOUR YEARS IN OFFICE

Court Decides Tenure of Bronx County Officials

ALBANY, N. Y., Oct. 20.—Bronx County officials are not to be chosen at the election next month, the Court of Appeals determined today. The court confirmed their election for a term of four years.

MUST PROVE INJURY TO GET COMPENSATION

Commissioner Rules Workmen Must Make Out Valid Claim

HARRISBURG, Oct. 20.—Claimants for compensation under the new workmen's compensation law will hereafter be required to prove their disability, according to an opinion handed down today by Commissioner John A. Scott, of the compensation board.

In awarding a workman for a Philadelphia glue factory fifty per cent of his wages as a result of his having lost the thumb and index finger of his left hand while regularly employed, Commissioner Scott ruled out the claim of the injured man that the loss of the thumb and finger was equal to the loss of a whole hand.

The ruling is that the loss of the whole hand is not proved because the remaining fingers can still be used.

TWO "LITTLE BOY BLUES," RUNAWAYS, FOUND UNDER HAYSTACK FAST ASLEEP

Youngsters Fancied the Outdoor Life of a Hermit and Dug Cave in Straw—Stole Several Bicycles and Explored the City, Police Charge

A hermit's life appealed strongly to Samuel Robinson and Charles Magee, thirteen-year-old boys, who, like "Little Boy Blue," were found under a haystack fast asleep by a Fernwood policeman.

The youngsters took to the outdoor life quite by accident. Later they realized that it required food to live, and to obtain the necessities of life, according to the police, they stole several bicycles in different parts of the city.

When a cop pulled the two juvenile hermits from their cave of straw today each was wrapped in an expensive automobile blanket. They admitted, it is said, taking the blankets from autos in the neighborhood of Fortieth and Chestnut streets.

The Robinson boy said he lived at 412 North Forty-second street and Christopher Magee at 322 North Forty-second street. The boys said they had been away from home since last Friday.

They "bugged" school to see the soldiers returning from the border and were afraid to go home. They finally drifted out to a field near Fernwood Cemetery. It was an easy matter to fit them for living purposes. The boys said they "had a good time." They were sent to the House of Detention, where they were both held for court.

HELD AS WIFE SLAYER, BUT RUNS FOR OFFICE

Missouri Prosecutor Submits His Case to People at Polls

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Oct. 20.—Charged with wife murder, County Prosecutor Oscar McDaniell, who is a candidate for re-election, is carrying his case before the people before his trial gets under way.

"I hope there is no one among the audience who believes Crawford township would produce such a character as I have been painted by the gossip," the accused man told an audience of home folks at Wallace, Mo. McDaniell outlined the history of his life, dwelling upon the years with his wife.

"When I was going to St. Joseph High School I loved her," he said. "Later we were married and were very happy. I have three children of school age. I crave that their father may have such a name hereafter that they may not be pointed at as children of one unworthy."

"I crave re-election to the office I now hold. Unless I can depend on the gray matter in your brains to base your opinions on facts, the name of a son of Crawford township may be dragged in the dust and humiliated."

MAYOR AND OFFICIALS INSPECT PORT WORKS

View Improvements Up and Down Both Delaware and Schuylkill Rivers

Having as their guests Mayor Smith and the heads of a number of municipal departments, the members of Councils Commerce and Navigation today made their annual inspection of the port.

The party left Race street pier aboard the police tug Ashbridge and first visited the dredging operations at Frankford and Homeburg. From this point a leisurely trip was made along the city's waterfront, and recently constructed piers and bulkheads were viewed.

Director Webster, of the Department of Wharves, Docks and Ferries, explained his plan for the proposed city piers at Cherry and Kenilworth streets.

At League Island the party left the Delaware River and made an inspection of the Schuylkill River, paying particular attention to the plans for a new bridge at South street.

Prof. David N. Camp

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., Oct. 20.—Prof. David N. Camp, for many years one of the most prominent educators in Connecticut, died at his home last night at the age of ninety-six. He was New Britain's second Mayor, and represented the town in the General Assembly. He was president of the Skinner Chuck Company, and identified with other business concerns. Yale gave him an honorary degree in 1883.

U. S. COLLECTS EVASDED TAXES

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—According to Commissioner of Internal Revenue Osborn, \$22,509,774 in taxes fraudulently evaded but collected in the last three years has more than paid the running expenses of this department, which collected internal revenue of \$1,308,413,295 in that period.

BOLD "BABY BANDITS" BEAT BOY; ROB JEWELRY

They Heard "Willie Was Making a Splurge," So They Took His Jewelry

Two "baby bandits" were held today in court in the House of Detention on a charge of attempted highway robbery. They are the youngest "highway robbers" the police have ever arrested. William Dent, eleven years old, and Peter Ucciferro, eleven years old, of 638 Catharine street, were charged with having held up and robbed William Vosher, eleven years old, of 428 Catharine street.

It is reported by the police that the "bandits" learned that "Willie" Vosher was "making a splurge" with a gold watch and heavy gold chain and charm in the neighborhood of Sixth and Catharine streets. It is charged that when William and Peter heard the Vosher boy had the jewelry they made up their minds they would "rob" him.

So when William Vosher passed Sixth and Catharine streets last night William Dent and Peter Ucciferro stepped out and knocked him down. William Vosher fought with them and yelled. When the police arrived the charm and part of the chain, which held fast to his big watch.

WITPENN IN ENEMY CAMP

Democratic Candidate for Governor Tours Republican County

ATLANTIC CITY, Oct. 20.—Witt Penn, Democratic candidate for Governor, is in the enemy's country today. He is touring Atlantic County. His first stop was at Hammonton, where he addressed a large crowd.

Tonight the candidate will address a large meeting in the Morris Guard Armory here. Vice President Marshall will also be a speaker.

ALLEN'S SCRAPPLE advertisement with logo and text.

\$25 HEADSTONE advertisement with image of a headstone.

Special Ten-Day Offer to Every Buyer of a Lot in Forest Hills advertisement.

Only 500 Lots Left at \$9.75 advertisement.

Consider These Facts advertisement with numbered list.

See Them by Motor At Our Expense advertisement.

Mail the Coupon At Once! advertisement with coupon form.



That's the New "C. E-Z" Gas Light

"I had them installed on all the gas fixtures to-day when the 'U. G. I.' special Service Man called.

"Isn't it wonderful what a difference it makes in the room? It gives three times as much light as the open flame burner and shows the furnishings off to much better advantage. So inexpensive too—it uses only half as much gas as the old burner.

"In some cases the lights were placed in the glassware we already had on the fixtures."

The "C. E-Z" gives 90 candlepower light at a cost for gas of 1 cent for 3 hours. 75c to \$1.40, according to equipment. A special Service Man will call upon you to demonstrate the "C. E-Z."

The United Gas Improvement Company

Leary's Book Store advertisement with text and logo.

FAMOUS READING ENTRAPTE advertisement with logo and text.