

LURED TO DEATH BY LOVE LETTERS

Mrs. Guinness' Victims Trapped by Her Craftiness.

DIG UP MURDER GARDEN

Residents of Laporte Expect to Find More Bodies.

History of Strange Woman and Scenes Enacted at Her Home Coming to Light—Character Study of the Murderess for Revenue as Revealed by Neighbors, Who for Years Had Shunned Her.

Laporte, Ind., May 9.—There is no better way of indicating the demoralized condition of the public mind...

Always in her lifetime, suspected and feared, the woman has now become in the public mind a perfect paragon of blood lust, craft, and treachery.

Meantime, where is Belle Guinness? Are those fragments of a female body that lie in the morgue, charred past recognition...

Mystery Is Not Cleared. There are so many circumstances to support either theory that the case remains to-day as mysterious as it was last Tuesday when the murder garden yielded up its first grim fruit.

Meantime certain things stand out as facts—hard and brutal facts that cannot be explained away.

Since little Dan Hudson and Joe Maxson got to work with their picks and spades five days ago, they have dug up what the doctors say are the remnants of ten human bodies.

Four of them were buried in a single pit about four by seven feet. Only three of them have been identified with any certainty.

That all ten of these were murdered there is no doubt. As to the four whose bodies were found buried beneath the ruins of the house on the morning of April 23, there is some doubt.

Murder for revenue only was apparently the passion that consumed Belle Guinness. That several of her victims were persons from whose death she could get profit in a pecuniary way in no manner controverts this statement.

Not Attractive Personally. What sort of woman was this astounding murderer? That is a hard question, and yet something can be done toward answering it.

Two years later she married Guinness. He also died suddenly, as will be seen. Death, sudden and mysterious, attended Belle Guinness for many years.

She had a big, heavy head, a mop of coarse hair of a muddy brown, little eyes that just missed being black, huge hands and arms, but feet grotesquely small for the burden they had to support.

Cordial at First Only. "My aunt was always a strange woman," her nephew, John Lawson, told the police the other day.

THE ROLL OF DEATH IN THE GUINNESS CASE

Following is the roster of bodies so far found at the murder factory of Mrs. Guinness in Laporte, Ind.:

MYRTLE SORENSON, aged eleven, daughter of Mrs. Guinness, burned to death in the Guinness home.

LUCY SORENSON, aged nine, youngest daughter of Mrs. Guinness, who likewise was burned to death in the fire.

PHILIP GUINNESS, aged five, son of Mrs. Guinness, burned in the destruction of the Guinness house.

ANDREW HELGELIN, aged forty, bachelor, of Aberdeen, S. Dak., suitor for Mrs. Guinness' hand, who came to Laporte January 5, 1908, and disappeared three weeks later, after drawing \$3,000 from bank.

JENNIE OLSON, aged seventeen, daughter of Anton Olson, of Chicago, whom Mrs. Guinness took to raise when eight years of age.

OLE B. HUDSBERG, who came from Iowa, Wis., about a year ago, in answer to a matrimonial advertisement, and who drew \$1,000 from the home bank.

Unidentified body (headless) of a woman, supposed at first to be Mrs. Guinness, but which may be the body of a victim "placed" to delude investigators.

Unidentified skeleton, doubtless that of a man.

Unidentified skeleton, supposedly that of a woman, discovered in same spot as above.

Unidentified body, sex undetermined, found in a three-foot hole.

Unidentified body, sex undetermined, was found in the same hole.

Unidentified body, dismembered, supposed to be that of a man from Chicago, found lying face downward in box, buried in barn lot.

Unidentified body, possibly man of middle age, recovered from graveyard, in advanced state of disintegration.

Unidentified body, probably woman, taken with two others from the same grave.

FIRES NEEDED AT PINE KNOT.

Weather on Green Mountain More Like Winter Than May.

Scottsville, Va., May 9.—"Round Top," the estate of Joseph Wilmer, is the mecca of the White House party on this their last excursion to the Albemarle woods.

Although the President and John Burroughs drove over to this point yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. Roosevelt and Joseph Wilmer on horseback, they were all ready for another jaunt this morning.

The three visitors left for Round Top this morning in a carriage, accompanied by Mr. Wilmer and attended by Dick McDaniel on horseback.

Fires were found not to be uncomfortable at the lodge today, the weather averaging more of February than May.

NEGRO IS GUARDED FROM MOB

Rand, Convicted of Assault, in Danger of Lynching.

Deputies Around Jail at Prince Fredericktown Not Anxious to Serve.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Prince Fredericktown, Md., May 9.—Excitement is high here to-night since Arthur Rand, a negro, was convicted of feloniously assaulting Mrs. Mary Buggy Ward, and threats of violence against him are heard on all sides.

The armed guard around the jail has been increased, but the men deputized lost their nerve after a few hours' service, and resigned as soon as they could be relieved.

The jury returned a verdict of guilty on the first count of the indictment at 9 o'clock to-night, after one ballot had been taken and an hour and a half consumed in deliberation.

"CURSED OUT" HIS EMPLOYER. Miner Claims Right to Speak His Mind of Company.

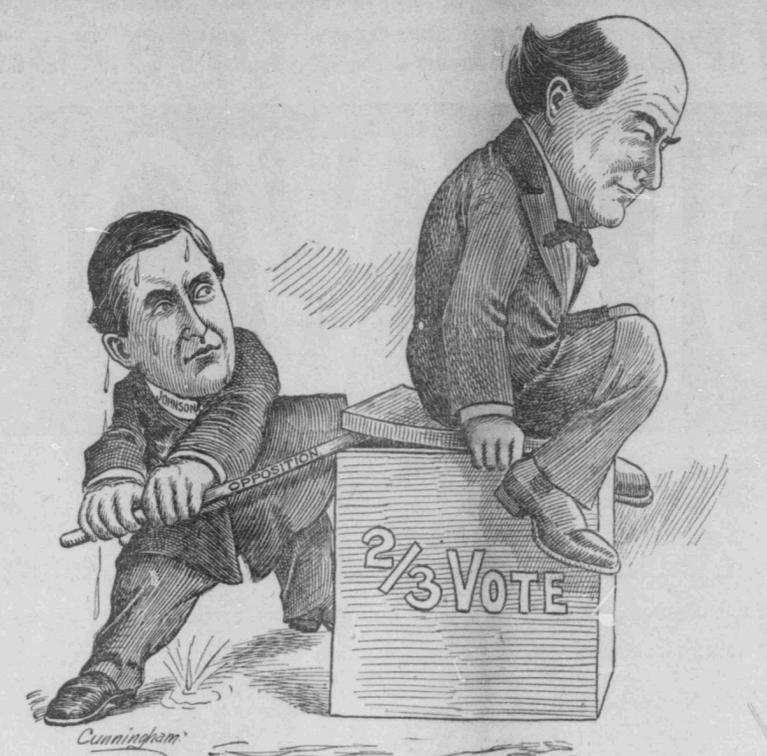
Indianapolis, May 9.—The novel question as to whether a coal company has a right to discharge an employe who habitually curses the company has been submitted to President Lewis, of the United Mine Workers.

The Crawford Coal Company was cursed by one of its employes and the offending miner was discharged.

SOCIALIST MAYOR "DOCKED."

His Pay Cut Down for Refusing to Preach the Propaganda.

London, May 9.—The British Socialist is a hard taskmaster, the Lord Mayor of Cardiff, William Crossman, a workingman and a Socialist, has had 30 shillings of his munificent salary of 60 shillings a week withheld by the trades council, since the beginning of the year, because William refuses to preach the doctrines of Socialism on the street corners and in the parks on Sunday mornings and evenings.



CONGRESS LEADERS FEAR HIS RETURN

Watch with Dread for President's Homecoming.

RAYNER PRIMED FOR ACTION

Maryland Senator Asked to Withdraw Stewart Case from Senate Until Executive Gets Back to the White House—Leaders Hope to Avert the Threatened Clash.

With keen pleasure and deep satisfaction Republican members in Congress are reading the all too brief press dispatches from North Garden, Va., telling of the active out door life which President Roosevelt is leading among the red hills of Albemarle County.

Each account of discovery of a wren's nest or the flushing of a cuckoo is hailed with delight. There is no mention of a stenographer in any of the reports.

It is good news to the Senate and the House that the President is enjoying himself, and the hope is expressed that he and his venerable naturalist friend, John Burroughs, will continue their studies of bird life for several days to come.

It is hardly likely, however, that the President will remain away from town beyond to-morrow. Senator Rayner, of Maryland, has received word from the President, through Secretary Loeb, that Mr. Roosevelt will be back then, and will be obliged if Mr. Rayner will not present any resolution for investigation of the case of Col. William F. Stewart, of the army, until Mr. Roosevelt's return.

Inquiry Not Probable. It is not probable that the President will grant Col. Stewart's demand for a court of inquiry, and in that event Mr. Rayner will deliver an attack on the President's position, which may precipitate a crisis in the relations between the Executive and the legislature.

In his letters to Senators Rayner, Smith, of Michigan, and Stewart, of Vermont, concerning the efforts in Congress to restore to the army the negro soldiers dismissed for alleged participation in the Brownsville affair, and to obtain justice for Col. Stewart, the President laid down the principle that as Commander-in-Chief of the army, he was supreme in his authority over the military establishment, and in that supremacy was not amenable to the dictates of the legislative branch of the government.

As told in The Washington Herald yesterday, these letters created a sensation among Senators, who generally manifested a disposition to resent Mr. Roosevelt's claim to be immune from obeying laws that affected the personnel of the army.

Trying to Suppress Letters. The excitement among the Senators increased instead of diminished yesterday. Frontal expediency had come to the President over night, however, and had tempered the feeling of indignation which threatened to break out in open denunciation. Leaders were at work seeking to bring about an arrangement whereby the opportunity would not be presented for reference to or the reading of the President's letters, for it is realized that should the President's announcement that he would refuse to obey an act of Congress directing him to restore the discharged negro soldiers become a matter of public record, the Senate would feel obliged to make a declaration in response that would be tantamount to a censure of the Executive.

The Republicans are concerned over the political effect of any such censure, yet for the life of them they do not see how it can be avoided, once the President's defiant language becomes known to the country.

Senator Rayner, in the speech which he intends to deliver on the Stewart case, will confine himself to the legal points.

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SUFFOCATES EIGHT CHILDREN.

Woman Nurse in Paris Has Mania for Murder.

Paris, May 9.—Public attention is engrossed in France, as in America, by murders attributed to women.

A bank employe, aged sixty-five, was found dead in his house at Grasse. The head and limbs had been cut from the trunk. A servant, who was also his mistress, says she committed suicide, and that she, fearing she would be accused of murdering him, dismembered the corpse, with the intention of getting rid of him. No motive for the crime has been established.

The second accused murderess is Jeanne Weber, who apparently has a mania for suffocating children, eight of whom died mysteriously while under her charge during the last two years.

TROOPS LINE RIVER; NIGHT RIDERS BUSY

Ohio Soldiers Guard Tobacco Growers from Harm.

TWO MARAUDERS ARE KILLED

Kentucky Farmer Opens Fire When Threat Is Made to Burn His Place Unless He Promised to Stop Growing Weed—Clash Is Feared Between Riders and Militiamen.

Manchester, Ohio, May 9.—With lamp-light signals flashing on the Kentucky and Ohio banks of the river as notices, it is declared, night rider bands, troops A and B of the Ohio National Guard are patrolling the Ohio side for eighty miles in an effort to prevent a juncture of the bands of tobacco raiders.

Detachments of two cavalry troops are guarding the highways leading into Georgetown, to which troops were first sent by Gov. Harris. Meetings of the raiders' sympathizers are in progress in Georgetown to-night.

Two Night Riders Killed. Lexington, Ky., May 9.—Information from Madison County to-night says that two night riders have been killed and the arm of a third was blown off by the discharge of a shotgun in an attack by the tobacco raiders on a planter.

All names are withheld. According to report, the planter opened fire on the raiders when they attempted to destroy his plant bed, following his refusal to stop growing tobacco.

Two of the raiders fell dead, and the wounded man was carried off by his companions.

MINUTEMEN ORGANIZED.

Deputy Sheriffs Sworn in to Protect Indiana Tobacco Growers.

Indianapolis, May 9.—Adj. Gen. Perry, of the Indiana National Guard, has just completed a tour of the tobacco counties of Southern Indiana, and has notified the sheriffs to swear in 50 deputies to act as "minute men" to prevent night riders from interfering with tobacco growers.

COMMITTS SUICIDE AT WEDDING HOUR

Williams' Prospective Bride Waiting at the Church.

LOST MUCH MONEY IN COTTON

Suptial Party Gathered at Cathedral for Ceremony—Groomsmen, Worried by Delay, Calls Up Bridegroom's Residence, When Maid There Makes Grievous Discovery.

New York, May 9.—Caught in the big slump in cotton two weeks ago, when the firm of T. A. McIntyre & Co. went to the wall, Isaac Frazier Williams, a solicitor for the Fidelity and Casualty Company, and formerly a cotton broker, committed suicide to-day while his fiancée and twenty-five guests were waiting for him to appear in the crypt of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, where he was to have been married.

Little is known here of Mr. Williams. A week ago a notice was inserted in the newspapers, announcing that on May 9, he and Miss Emma R. Arnold, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth A. Arnold, of this city, would be married.

About three weeks ago Mr. Williams went to the home of Dr. W. A. Stowell to be treated for a severe attack of grip. The doctor had Mr. Williams take a room on the second floor of the house.

Wedding Party at Church. Up at the home of Miss Arnold all preparations for the wedding had been made. Mrs. Arnold, her daughter, and son left shortly before 1 o'clock and went over to the cathedral. There they were joined by the guests and a Mr. Graham, who was to have been Mr. Williams' best man.

The wedding was to have been celebrated at 1 o'clock. When the hour came and Mr. Williams had not put in an appearance, Mr. Graham became nervous. He went outside to a telephone and called Dr. Stowell's house. A maid answered the telephone.

Graham inquired regarding the whereabouts of Williams. She went to Williams' room and found him lying across the bed with a revolver on the floor by the side of the bed.

Graham returned first to the cathedral and told the guests the wedding would have to be delayed, as Mr. Williams had been accidentally hurt. He then sent Miss Arnold and her mother to their home.

Finances Is Prostrated. When Graham arrived and found what had happened, he sent for Miss Arnold and her brother, who came to Dr. Stowell's. Miss Arnold was prostrated at the sight, and was taken back to her home.

Williams was about forty-five years old. No reason is given for his act.

Providence, R. I., May 9.—Isaac Frazier Williams, who committed suicide in New York, was the son of State Senator Isaac P. Williams, of Bristol, R. I.

DEMOCRATS IN DENVER.

Members of Subcommittee Will Visit Pikes Peak To-day.

Denver, May 9.—An unusual entertainment is being arranged for the members of the subcommittee of the Democratic National convention who arrived to-day to inspect the plans for the national convention in July. The members were occupied to-day in inspecting the auditorium and going over the plans.

LONDON BROKERS RETIRE.

Many of Them Unable to Make Both Ends Meet.

London, May 9.—Eloquent testimony to the state of affairs in the greatest stock market in the world is given by the retirement during the past week of over 200 members of the stock exchange. It is a well-known fact that for two or three years many of the members have not been making an approach to a livelihood. Some have not earned enough to pay office rent, but have held on in the hope of the boom which did not come.

SCHLEY FOR MORE SHIPS.

Doughty Sea Fighter Approves the Roosevelt Programme.

Omaha, May 9.—Admiral Schley, who, with his wife, is at the home of Gen. Charles M. Anderson, of this city, in an interview to-day, said he approved of President Roosevelt's recent recommendation to Congress for four battle ships, and declared that the big demonstration which Admiral Evans' fleet is making in the Pacific will have a powerful effect, both at home and abroad.

WILSON WEDS MISS SCHENCK.

Stable Manager of A. G. Vanderbilt United to Girl He Ran Off With.

London, May 9.—Florence Schenck, the pretty Virginia girl who figured some time ago in various sensational episodes with Charles Wilson, stable manager for Alfred G. Vanderbilt, was married to Wilson in London on Thursday, and immediately appeared with him on the coach Venture.

It was the first time Mr. Vanderbilt has ever had a bridal couple on his coach.

The marriage ceremony was performed by a registrar of Paddington, with only one friend of Wilson and two friends of Miss Schenck present.

THE WORLD CELEBRATES.

New York Paper Owned by Pulitzer for Twenty-five Years.

New York, May 9.—The World to-night celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of its ownership by Joseph Pulitzer by the formal opening of its enlarged building and by a reception and speeches in the city room on the twelfth floor, into which 1,500 invited guests crowded, and by fireworks on the roof, which were seen by a crowd which packed City Hall Park, and every point in the vicinity.

Much of the interest centered in a trainload of public men and newspaper men from Washington. The delegation included Senator Thomas P. Gore, of Oklahoma; Mooney, superintendent of the supply division in the post-office; Dr. H. W. Wiley, Charles P. Grandfield, First Assistant Postmaster General Hitchcock, and Frank E. McMillan, Chief Post Hospital Surgeon.

MIDDIES ARE THE BEST SHOTS

Defeat District Militia Officers by Margin of 53 Points.

Do Their Best Work on 200-yard Rapid-fire Range—Lieut. Col. Reichelderfer High Gun.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Annapolis, Md., May 9.—The midshipmen again demonstrated their superior marksmanship to-day by defeating the crack team composed of officers of the National Guard, District of Columbia, by a margin of 53 points. The team totals were: Navy, 2,322; District Guardsmen, 2,239.

The firing was at ranges of 200, 300, and 600 yards slow fire and 200 and 300 yards rapid fire. High winds which blew throughout the day affected the work of the marksmen to some extent, but notwithstanding this some fine work was done.

The middies scored their greatest lead over their opponents at the 200-yard rapid-fire range.

Lieut. Col. Reichelderfer was high gun, with 214 out of a possible 215, while Capt. Summers was second high, with 213. Midshipman Davis made the highest score of his team, 207.

JEFFRIES CLUB MEN HELD.

Los Angeles Citizens Charged with Using Mails Fraudulently.

Los Angeles, Cal., May 9.—Baron H. Long, secretary of the Jeffries Athletic Club, and Gordon E. Riggin, press agent of the club, were arrested by Federal authorities to-day on an indictment returned in the Southern district of New York charging them, jointly with Edward Madden, of New York, with fraudulent use of the United States mails in the conduct of business.

WASHINGTONIAN A SUICIDE.

Michael Gergley Fatally Wounded Girl in Baltimore.

Following a domestic quarrel in Baltimore, Michael Gergley, who recently went there from this city, shot and probably fatally wounded Miss Tillie Floran late last night.

NEGRO FRIGHTENS GIRL INTO SPASMS

Miss Clements Finds Burglar in the House.

SHOUTS FOR ASSISTANCE

Band of Young Men Pursue and Capture the Black Man.

Beat Him into Submission and Then Send Him to Hospital, After Which He Was Locked Up on Charge of Housebreaking—Young Woman in Constant Care of Physician and May Die in Semi-conscious State.

Miss Gertrude Clements, sixteen years old, is critically ill and under the constant care of a physician, as the result of an experience with a negro burglar whom she found in the house upon returning to her home, 648 Eleventh street northeast, at 9:30 o'clock last night.

James Curtis, thirty-seven years old, a negro, was roughly handled by several young men who ran to the house upon hearing Miss Clements' screams. After receiving treatment at the Casualty Hospital, he was locked up in the Ninth precinct station, charged with housebreaking.

In Semi-conscious State. At a late hour last night Miss Clements was in a semi-conscious condition. Every few minutes she would go into convulsions. Dr. Malvern H. Price, of 730 Thirtieth street northeast, treated the young woman. She will probably be taken to a hospital to-day.

Miss Clements returned to her home about 9:30 o'clock, and going to the side of the house to get the door key, which was hidden there, saw the side door, which had been left locked, standing wide open. As she peered into the open door she saw the form of a man in the dim light. The man started toward her.

Screaming with terror, Miss Clements ran from the yard and into the street. Her screams attracted the attention of young men at Eleventh and G streets, and headed by a young man named Ward, employed in a grocery, they ran to the house, arriving there in time to see a negro run through the yard, in the direction of the street. Before he could reach the sidewalk he was set upon by the pursuers.

A battle followed, the negro exerting all his power to break away and escape. Before he was subdued, he received injuries which needed attention.

A telephone message was sent to the Ninth precinct station by a neighbor, and word was given Policeman Connor, who was reporting from a patrol box at Eighth and H streets. He ran to the scene of the trouble, and arrived in time to save the negro further beating at the hands of his captors.

By this time a crowd of several hundred persons had arrived. Threats of lynching were heard. The patrol wagon arrived a few minutes later and the negro was loaded into it and taken to the Casualty Hospital.

Went to Home of Relative. Miss Clements, after running into the street and giving the alarm, went to the home of William Waple, a relative, living at 62 Twelfth street, where her stepmother was spending the evening. After telling her story in a disconnected manner, the girl became hysterical, and in a few minutes fainted.

She was carried to her home, and Dr. Price was called. He gave her drugs in an attempt to produce sleep. A few minutes after reaching home she lapsed into a comatose condition, and because of a weak heart it is feared the encounter with the negro may result fatally.

Police of the Ninth precinct investigated the case, and found the negro had gained entrance by smashing in the side door. He had then started to go up stairs, but was interrupted by the arrival of Miss Clements. In his rush to get out of the house he upset a lamp, smashing it to fragments and nearly setting the house on fire.

UNEMPLOYED IN SESSION.

New Yorkers Demand \$150,000,000 Aid from Congress.

New York, May 9.—The National Convention for the Unemployed ended its sessions at the Manhattan Lyceum, 66 East Fourth street, this afternoon.

Resolutions were carried calling on Congress to enact legislation appropriating \$150,000,000 to provide work for the immediate relief of the unemployed. Harry S. Baker was elected assistant delegate to go to Washington and present the resolutions to President Roosevelt and Congress. Berkman thereupon demanded to be sent to Washington as a delegate, but he was turned down.

WALKER ISSUES A CALL.

G. A. R. Commander Asks Co-operation on Memorial Day.

John S. Walker, department commander of the G. A. R., has issued a call, in which he states Saturday, May 23, will be observed as Memorial Day.

Commander Walker asserts that Memorial Day should be observed without frivolity or pleasure-seeking, and should be devoted to revering the memories of the men "who gave their lives that the nation might live." He invites the citizens of the District to co-operate with the veterans in observing the day.

H. E. Oliver in Havana.

Havana, May 9.—R. E. Oliver, the contractor, arrived here from Tampa to-night with part of the outfit for building a million-dollar highway in Pinar del Rio. W. J. Oliver, the senior member of the firm, is coming next week.

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Some lumber firms say times will soon be better and are holding up prices.

\$1.25 to Baltimore and Return To-day, via Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

Frank Libbey & Co. say it is getting worse and are cutting prices.

No. 1 cyprus shingles, 85 per 1,000.

Frank Libbey & Co., 4th st. and N. Y. ave.

Boards dressed (2), \$1.05 per 100 feet.

Frank Libbey & Co., 4th st. and N. Y. ave.

To Promote Financial Success. Deposit your surplus money in the banking dept. of Union Trust Co., 15th and H sts. Interest paid on all accounts. Deposits subject to check, Gov't supervision.

Clear Alabama flooring, 85 per 100 feet.

Frank Libbey & Co., 6th st. and N. Y. ave.

Two-year-old Rose Bushes; Best Variety. Special, 30c. Blackstone, 14th & V.

Dressed pickets and palings, 82 per 100.

Frank Libbey & Co., 6th st. and N. Y. ave.

Porch and Window Boxes of Growing Plants, \$2.50; special, Blackstone's, 14 & H.

Siding, \$1.50 per 100 feet. A big out.

Frank Libbey & Co., 6th st. and N. Y. ave.