

ROBERTS WAS SHOT TO DEATH

Man Wanted for Mrs. Woodhill's Murder Killed by Sheriff's Posse.

REFUSED TO THROW UP HANDS

Uttered No Word, Rose in His Boat, Fired on Party, Hitting No One.

Members Promptly Responded—He Was Shot in Pocket, Falling Dead.

St. Michaels, Md., June 25.—Eminent E. Roberts, the newspaper correspondent and magazine writer and author, who was wanted for the murder of Mrs. Edith May Thompson Woodhill, the daughter of Col. Charles A. Thompson, was shot to death by a sheriff's posse while resisting arrest off a wharf at McDaniel, Talbot county, at 4 o'clock this morning.

Roberts fired one shot from a revolver but without effect. Shortly after midnight this morning a small craft was seen moving up the waters of Back river, along the shores of which are the homes of Col. Thompson and Roberts. It is unusual to see a small boat on the river at such an early hour and John McQuay, who has a farm on a point on a creek near Bosman, notified Sheriff Mortimer and Magistrate Willy, who were at St. Michaels, McQuay said the boat looked like the one in which Roberts escaped from McDaniel and a man in it looked like the missing author. Sheriff Mortimer, Magistrate Willy and a posse of six men hurried to the scene, reaching the river shore at 1 a. m. All were armed. They went down to the water's edge and made out the outlines of a man in his shirt sleeves languidly rowing a boat up the river. They made no demonstration, resolving to wait until the rower got into narrower water and within range.

Sheriff Mortimer and Messrs. Hooper and Harper obtained a boat and followed Roberts, who apparently became alarmed and hastened up the river at a faster pace, the sheriff's boat following. Magistrate Willy and others followed along the shore. The competing maneuvers began shortly after 1 a. m. For three hours, the two boats and the magistrate's party proceeded up the river, the shores narrowing all the while.

Roberts was nearing the scene of his alleged crime. As the shores drew together members of the posse made out the features of Roberts, who was seen to wave the wharf at McDaniel from which point he is supposed to have fled. When Roberts got abreast of the landing place and was but 100 feet from the shore, the posse stepped out into the open.

"THROW UP YOUR HANDS!" "Hello, Roberts, throw up your hands," shouted the magistrate. Roberts did not utter a word but rose in his boat with a big revolver in his right hand. He quickly leveled at the party on shore and fired.

After a moment, a special deputy fired a shot from a revolver at the white shirted figure standing in the boat. Then Magistrate Willy discharged a shotgun. Deputy Cronie fired a second shot. Roberts dropped in the boat, his revolver falling at his side. The deputies waded out to the small craft. Roberts had been shot in the mouth and was dead. The boat was drawn to the shore and the body examined. Roberts had a bottle of poison in his pocket and a number of letters. The body was taken to St. Michaels.

LITTLE KNOWN OF ROBERTS. Where and under what circumstances Roberts and Mrs. Woodhill met is not known. He is said to have been in the city of Baltimore, Md., where he was known by the name of Robert E. Eastman, who was a magazine writer and newspaper correspondent. He was polite and affable in manner, made friends readily, but never discussed his personal affairs.

Doubt as to whether the man's real name is Roberts was raised today by the finding near his body of a letter addressed to "Mrs. Robert E. Eastman, care of Capt. W. Taylor, Eastman, Md." They will be called for. The deed robs the date by Robert E. Eastman to John J. Mann of New York of six lots at Bergen, Bogota, county, N. J., and is dated July 25, 1908.

The letter began "Vernia," who is believed to be his wife. "The enclosed keys are several you will need to examine my property. I owe 75 cents to William Sutton, neighbor. I owe \$5 to William Norris, Easton, Md. Pay them both."

The note has no date and was written in lead pencil. It was stamped but had been opened. Mr. Taylor, with whom Easton or Roberts boarded, got a letter some days ago from E. B. Wellington, in which inquiry is made about Roberts. Mr. Taylor wrote to the hotel, but the letter was returned with the statement that Wellington had left.

Later, Mr. Taylor said Wellington was an uncle and lived in Denver. He also stated at different times that he came from Denver.

KNOWN IN NEW JERSEY. Bogota, N. J., June 25.—Robert E. Eastman was known here as a stock broker in business in New York. He lived here about a year up to last De-

OLD FOLKS DAY PLANS COMPLETE

Committees Arrange All Details Of Tuesday's Feast for The Aged.

ASK FOR AID OF MINISTERS

Great Gathering Is for People of All Creeds and Colors and Stations in Life.

The Old Folks' central committee met last evening at the home of Bishop Heber C. Iverson and completed arrangements for Old Folks' day, June 29, which will be the most elaborate affair of the kind ever gotten up by the committee.

Two trains will reach the city about 10 o'clock in the morning, both being laden with old folks. One of these will leave Brigham City at 7:30 a. m., and bring to the city all the old people south of that point. The train from the south will leave Payson at 7 o'clock and pick up all the old people between that point and Lehi. The south train will enter the D. & R. G. depot, where the old folks will be met by automobiles donated by citizens for the occasion, and also by the Ladies' G. A. R. band. In addition they will be welcomed by the bishops and counselors of Liberty and Pioneer stakes. The train from the north will enter the O. S. L. depot and the old folks coming by it will be met there by the Fifteenth Infantry band from Fort Douglas, automobiles to convey the old folks around the city, and the bishops and counselors of Salt Lake and Ensign stakes.

PARADE IN AUTOMOBILES. As the old folks alight from the trains they will be given flags. The bishops and their counselors who are present will see to the seating of the old people in the automobiles, and as soon as this is done the procession will move up town, where held's band will welcome them. They will then be taken for a ride through the city in automobiles in a parade, after which they will be driven to the Temple block, and seated as near 11:30 as possible, to partake of the lunch prepared by the Ladies' Societies of the four stakes of Salt Lake City.

It is stated that no one but the old folks or those having a right to enter the grounds will be allowed in the Temple block that day, and in order for any of the old people of the city to get into the grounds it will be necessary for them to have the special badge which has been prepared for the occasion.

The ministers of the various denominational churches are invited to co-operate with the committee and the bishops of the wards of the city to ascertain the names of all the old folks in the city who are over 70. Application for their badges and tickets should be made to Secretary William Barton, presiding bishop's office, 14 north Main street, B. Y. U. Memorial building.

All of the old people are requested to come provided with a lunch and fork, spoon and cup. The committee of the city will not be admitted to the Temple grounds until after the people from the country are seated, which will be about 12 o'clock.

STRANGER FOUND DEAD.

No One Has Been Found to Identify Him.

The body of an unidentified man was found last evening lying partly obscured in a clump of bushes and weeds in Third West street, between Second and Third South streets by a night watchman of the Oregon Short Line.

The condition of the body indicated that heart disease, or similar stroke had been the cause of death, while the clothing and appearance showed that the decedent had been a laboring man.

The strange feature of the death is that absolutely nothing was found in the clothing to give a clue to the identity of the dead man. He appeared to be about 40 years of age, of dark complexion, with black hair and a short, stubby mustache. He had evidently been engaged in common labor, and the supposition is that he was stricken while returning from his work, falling by the roadside in the death-grip.

After the body was discovered the police were notified and it was removed to O'Donnell's mortuary. Although numerous inquiries have been made by the police, the undertaker has been unable to obtain up to noon today that would lead to the identification of the dead man.

POSTMASTERS APPOINTED.

(Special to the "News.") Washington, D. C., June 25, 1909.—Postmasters appointed: Utah—Vermillion, Sevier county, Mrs. Z. Colby; Wyoming—Dale, Converse county, Leonard Sedgwick, vice O. E. Shay, resigned.

O. LEWISOHN NOT HURT.

New York, June 25.—A cable message from Oscar Lewisoahn, reported last night to have been killed in an automobile accident on the European continent, was received today by Martin Vogel, attorney for the Lewisoahn family. The cablegram reads: "Ascot, England—No foundation in report. Both well."

Mr. Vogel stated that efforts were being made to locate Jesse Lewisoahn, elder brother of Oscar, who is known to be on the continent.

NOT INTOXICATED; ONLY EXCITED

Such is the Explanation of Mrs. Howard Gould's Conduct as Given by Justice Dowling.

GRANTS HER SEPARATION.

Allimony of \$36,000 a Year is Allowed—Stay of Thirty Days in Execution of Judgment.

New York, June 25.—Justice Dowling today granted Mrs. Howard Gould a separation from her husband and allimony of \$36,000 a year. Justice Dowling, in his decision said that all the evidence was in favor of Mrs. Gould and that the conduct of Mrs. Gould when she was alleged to have been intoxicated might have been caused by excitement.

The justice disposed of the allegations concerning Mrs. Gould's meetings with Dustin Farnum by saying that they all occurred since Mr. and Mrs. Gould had separated and that Mrs. Gould had never objected to them. A stay of 30 days in execution of the judgment was granted.

WITNESSES FAVOR SIDE OF THOMAS

Testimony at Today's Session Was to the Efficiency of Reform School Officers.

EXAMINATION OF INMATES

Whether Conducted in Public or in Private is Not Yet Decided.

Ogden, June 25.—The testimony offered at the Thomas investigation this morning, was very favorable to Supt. Thomas and of his efficiency and the officers of the institution. The testimony was that of Mary Baldwin and Dr. E. H. Smith. They told of the management of the school during the time the inmates were afflicted with scarlet fever. They said that the inmates were furnished with everything possible and every attention was accorded them.

Rufus S. Stevens, a former gardener in the school, testified as to the quality of the food furnished the officers and boys. Lorenzo Farley, a boy on parole, testified as to his treatment at the school, which was very favorable to the superintendent.

Before adjourning for the noon recess, Valentine Gleason, attorney for the citizens committee, reported that he had made a study of the questioning of the inmates of the school was not to be held privately, as the boys did not like to testify before Thomas. He asked the court to make a decision on the matter. The court referred the matter to the jury, and the district attorney for Thomas, in a lengthy statement, said that the committee prosecuting the investigation had introduced every kind of testimony detrimental to the school and to Thomas. He demanded the right to question publicly all the inmates, boys on parole, employees and ex-employees. He said that Thomas was entitled to be present to hear the testimony. He said that it is a public hearing and that the people should hear the testimony. The investigation committee took the matter up with the board of trustees in an executive session this afternoon.

ROSSI GETS JAILED AGAIN.

This Time He Expecterated Upon the Uniform of an Infantry Soldier.

Francisco Rossi presented another act last night in his continuous performance which has marked him as one of the most unique characters the police have had to deal with for many a day. Just what Rossi wants is hard to divine—but he evidently wants something and has taken unique methods of getting it.

Driven by desperation, he had received a blow with the jaw that rendered him in jail. The police do not want him, however, and he is to be released this afternoon.

Rossi's experience in Salt Lake has been of the nature of something doing every minute, and he has fairly haunted the police station. First he was being chased by Black Hand men who reached the point they have ever sought his life. Then he was a member of a former Artie exploration party, and had been so chilled that he had had to wear fur overcoats, until he was given the warmth of the city jail. Then he was a deserter from the Italian army, and then an alien who had been smuggled into the country. There more Black Hand ending in an examination before a lunacy commission yesterday only to be discharged.

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PRODUCE TAKES A DROP.

Since yesterday, there has been a fall in prices of some grains and flours. Oats are quoted today at \$2.50, a drop of 25 cents; rolled oats, \$2.65, a drop of 35 cents; wheat, \$2.15, a drop of 35 cents; and rolled barley, \$2.15, a drop of 10 cents.

ELSIE FINDS OF BOTH CHINAMEN

Leon Ling and Chu Gain Received Letters from Her Couched in Most Endearing Terms.

WERE RIVALS FOR HER LOVE.

Numerous Arrests Continue to be Made—Also Reported Leon Has Sailed Around the Horn.

New York, June 25.—Letters found in the rooms occupied by Leon Ling and Chu Gain, rivals for the love of Elsie Sigel, whose body was found in a trunk in Ling's rooms, indicate that the day before she met her death she wrote to each of the Chinamen loving assurances of her entire faith in him. A short time after Leon Ling appeared at the Sigel home intoxicated and was driven away by her parents. Miss Sigel wrote this note, the police say, to Ling.

"I am writing this while mother is away. She would not let me if she knew it. Don't think, Willie, that I will give you up for anybody. I will always remember the dear times we had together. I will see you soon."

"With love, (Signed) 'ELSIE.'"

The letter to Chu Gain reads: "I don't want you to feel badly because Willie was here tonight. You know that I love you, and you only know that I love Willie. Although he is nothing to me, I had to see him. I don't send for him. Your ever loving, (Signed) 'ELSIE.'"

Telegrams announcing the arrest of suspects in various cities continue to arrive, but in no instance has the missing Leon Ling been identified.

ANOTHER ARREST.

New York, June 25.—The fact that the telegram sent to the parents of Elsie Sigel from Washington, at the night of her disappearance assuring them of her safety and promising her early return had been sent by Leon Ling, the Young Chinaman whom the police charge with her murder, was established today by Detective Van Wagner, who returned from Washington armed with the original of the telegram. The letter, which was in attorney's office has practically reached the conclusion that there is no good basis for the reports that Leon was in hiding in Washington.

The police of New York, L. I., today arrested a Chinaman answering in a general way the description of Leon Ling. He said he was Harry Kolo, 36 years of age, but gave no address.

LEON SAILS AWAY.

Norfolk, Va., June 25.—The Hawaiian Steamship company's steamer Arizona, which sailed from Norfolk yesterday for San Francisco and Honolulu, aboard Leon Ling or Lang, who was signed as a member of the vessel's Chinese crew in New York, June 11, today arrived here. The steamer had a full cargo of government coal for the Pacific coast.

NOT MAN WANTED.

New York, June 25.—The only Chinaman arrested by the Arizona who was named as Leon Ling, was the second cook, Leon Sang. He could not have been Leon Ling, the man wanted, as he was a member of the steamer's crew when it arrived here April 25.

As Leon Ling was 35 years old and was never known to have served as a sailor, the police believe he could not be the man wanted.

WHITE MAN'S SKIN TURNS BLACK AS NEGRO'S

New York, June 25.—In James McPaul, a street car driver, Bellevue hospital has one of the strangest cases that has come under its observation in many years. About a year ago McPaul's skin commenced to turn black and it has continued doing so ever since. The doctor's diagnosis is that he is a black as a negro as over with the exception of the right side of his face. Close observation indicates that the transformation may have affected the right side of his face, which is a rosy white. None of the doctors in Bellevue have been able to diagnose the trouble except that it is an affection due to the softening of the tissues.

HAIR RESTORER TURNED LADY'S HAIR GREEN

New York, June 25.—When a bottle of hair restorer turned Mrs. Kate J. Mosser's hair into a bright green, she sued Charles H. Girmley, the manufacturer for damages and yesterday a local court gave her a verdict for \$500. The manufacturer's defense rested on the testimony of a man and his wife, who declared that they had used the restorer with perfect satisfaction, but when it developed that they had received compensation for writing testimonials, the court gave judgment.

CHICAGO BANK DEPOSITS.

Chicago, June 25.—Deposits of the national banks of Chicago are at about the highest point they have ever reached. The statements published to show their condition at the close of business June 23, in response to a call show a total of \$407,781,000 deposits in the 15 local institutions. This amount is nearly \$15,400,000 larger than the aggregate deposits of the same banks at the time of the last call.

WESTON DESTROYS CHURCH.

West Point, Neb., June 25.—St. Joseph's Catholic church was destroyed and a dozen residences were seriously damaged by a tornado which struck this town last night. It was followed by a cloudburst which flooded the town, causing up sidewalks and doing other damage. Reports from the surrounding country show that many farmers suffered loss of buildings. No casualties are reported.

A CUT IN OIL.

Pittsburg, June 25.—Announcement was made by the Standard Oil company today of another cut of 5 cents in the price of crude petroleum. The new quotations are: Pennsylvania, \$1.03; Mercier black, \$1.10; New Castle, \$1.07; Corning, 99 cents; Cuba, \$1.17; North Lima, 89 cents; South Lima, 84 cents; Indiana, 85 cents; Somerset, 75 cents; England, 85 cents.

PRICE OF OIL REDUCED.

New York, June 25.—The Standard Oil company today announced a reduction in the price of oil of 10 cents per 100 gallons, making refined in cases \$10.80; refined in tanks, \$4.90; standard white, \$8.40, and refined at Philadelphia, \$8.35.

WESTON PASSES DEATH.

Ogden, Utah, June 25.—Edward Payson Weston, who left Ogden at 1 a. m. Monday, reached Wells, Nev., 175 miles west of here, last evening, and at an early hour this morning resumed his walk, passing Death, 20 miles west of Wells, at 8:45 a. m. He is in excellent physical condition.

TEMPORARY ROUTE CHANGE.

Network of Tracks at Monument to Be Replaced With Heavy Layout.

The network of tracks around Pioneer monument at the head of Main street is to be taken up, when the pavers reach that part of the street and the present old rails replaced by heavy manganese steel, the same as obtain at the intersections of the three streets below. This will require a four-day interference with car traffic. Assistant General Manager Charles W. Brown has arranged for the removal of cars during that time, which includes June 30-July 3.

Third avenue cars will operate via West First South. Water and Center street cars will operate via South Temple and Main. Sixth avenue cars will operate south on State from First avenue to Second South, west on Second West and Third north on Main to First South, thence over present route to Sixth avenue. Third avenue Second West and South Temple and east Second South cars will operate via east First South and State, between Main and First South, and North Temple and Third West.

POULTRY BUILDING PLANS.

Contract Will Be Let as Soon as Specifications Are Approved.

Plans for the new poultry building, which is to be built at the fair grounds this summer, have just been completed by Architect N. E. Lilienberg. They were turned over to Secy. H. S. Ensign this morning, who will call for bids on the erection of the building as soon as the specifications have been passed upon by the executive committee of the fair association. The building will cost about \$500, and will be 6x82 feet outside. It will contain three double rows of pens and a row of pens on each side and at the ends, and will be reserved for pigeons, bantams, and other feathered stock. The erection of this building will give the fair grounds 380 full sized pens for show purposes at the exhibition this fall.

CHECK FOR Y. M. C. A.

The Crane Company Gives \$500 to Building Fund. Secretary Cox of the Y. M. C. A. was in receipt this morning of a contribution to the Commercial club Y. M. C. A. fund that was of exceptional value. It consisted of a check for \$500 from the Crane manufacturing company, and signed by local manager William Bowen. Mr. Cox remarks in the connection that as a general thing, heretofore, local corporations have declined to subscribe on the ground that they showed a total indifference to the welfare of the community, but that the Crane company has shown a different attitude.

OGDEN SCHOOLS TO SHOW.

Supt. Mills Writes Secy. Ensign Asking For Space. For the first time in the history of the Utah state fair the schools of Ogden will make an exhibit this year. Supt. John M. Mills of the Ogden schools has just written to Secy. Ensign of the Fair association, stating that he submitted to the board of education the proposition presented by him in a letter to Postmaster A. L. Thomas, it is due to a slight mental aberration, which affects him at times and is the result of a severe sickness when Pitts was a boy. He is said to be 42 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, having blue eyes and a "sandy" complexion. His profession is that of a piano tuner, though he plays the violin, guitar and flute.

PRIZE LIST KEEPS GROWING.

Real Estate Day at Saltair to Break All Past Records. Secretary Perkes of the Salt Lake Real Estate association issues today a schedule of 258 prizes for Real Estate Day, June 29, ranging in value to \$200, with many more coming. Every member of the association is out hustling and rustling to make of the coming real estate day a record breaker in attendance. Trains will begin running at 9:30 a. m., there will be another one at 12:15 p. m., one at 2 p. m., and after that every 45 minutes until 10:15 p. m. The prizes include a variety of every class of article to be had in the local stores, and every one is sure to appeal to somebody. The program of the day will be devoted to building up the chamber of commerce and gathering there a fine display of natural resources for the education of tourists and visitors generally.

FIRST LANDS IN THE SMOOT ACT

Local Land Office Receives List Of Homestead Selections in Boxelder to Tooele.

OTHER COUNTY LISTS LATER.

This Year One Million Acres Are to be Designated With Other Half to Come Next Year.

The register and receiver of the local land office received this morning from Secretary R. A. Ballinger, department of the interior, Washington, the first list of lands designated for entry under the "enlarged homestead act," popularly known as the Smoot act. The list arriving today takes in only two counties in Utah. They are Boxelder and Tooele. The land designated in the former county amounts to 375,478 acres, while in Tooele county 29,617 acres have been designated, making a total of 415,095 acres out of the total of 1,000,000 acres which was authorized for designation this year. The remaining 584,905 acres will be taken from the various counties of the state and is now being examined, the idea being to distribute the lands as far as possible over all the state.

Next year the remaining million acres, making 2,000,000 in all, will be designated, and small tracts of land, isolated tracts will be included in many of the counties. The conditions of the act of Feb. 13, 1906, known as the Smoot act, require instead of actual residence on these dry farm lands, merely settlement and cultivation of the 320 acres which is allowed every citizen, instead of 160 acres allowed under the ordinary homestead laws.

Following is the list of lands in Boxelder and Tooele counties, the township and range only being given. Boxelder county: Township 8 north, ranges 18, 19 west; township 8 n., ranges 16, 17, 18, 19 west; township 10 n., ranges 6, 7, 14, 15, 16 west; township 11 n., ranges 5, 6, 7, 9, 13, 14, 15, 16 west; township 12 n., ranges 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 west; township 13 n., ranges 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 west; township 14 n., ranges 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 west; township 15 n., ranges 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 west. Tooele county: Township 3 south, ranges 5, 6 west; township 4 south, range 5 west; township 5 s., ranges 5, 6, 7, 8 west; township 6 s., ranges 5, 6, 7 west; township 7 s., ranges 5, 6, 7 west; township 8 s., ranges 4, 5, 6, 7 west.

PLANTING OF TROUT FRY.

Superintendent Jacklin of the Murray fish hatchery returned from Fish lake this morning with 2,000,000 trout eggs. They are being planted in the hatchery today. This makes 3,400,000 eggs that have been planted there this year.

HEAR COMPLAINTS TONIGHT.

Board of Works Will Also Discuss Sewer Extensions. When the board of public works meets tonight, the estimates presented for sewer extension 185 and sewer extension 183 by James Kennedy will be taken up and discussed. In these estimates are extra work for pumping water out of the sewers, and in all probability they will be paid by the city.

This extra expense, which will amount to several hundred dollars before the extensions are completed, was caused by the delay in the completion of the sewer extension 108. Mike O'Connor has torn up several blocks of the walk which is unsatisfactory and an appeal has been made by the residents to get the board to compel him to replace the walk of which they complain. They declare that it is checked and was not properly laid and in the course of a year will crumble up.

MUSICAL HUSBAND SOUGHT.

Piano Tuner Who Also Plays the Flute, Violin and Guitar, Left Home. Mrs. D. W. Pitts, of 1417, Eighth avenue, Seattle, is very anxious to find her lost husband, D. W. Pitts, who has been known to use an alias. He ran away from his family some time ago and is thought to be in Salt Lake City. He did the same thing in 1903, when the family were living in Birmingham, Ala., and in extension of this fault, Mrs. Pitts says, in a letter to Postmaster A. L. Thomas, it is due to a slight mental aberration, which affects him at times and is the result of a severe sickness when Pitts was a boy. He is said to be 42 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches high, having blue eyes and a "sandy" complexion. His profession is that of a piano tuner, though he plays the violin, guitar and flute.

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PAYMENTS ON HOMESTEADS.

(Special to the "News.") Washington, June 25.—Notice has been issued by Secretary Ballinger that all settlers under reclamation projects may make full payment to the government of their indebtedness for the proportionate part of the cost of the project. This will satisfy the authorities as to the three points required by the act, namely, residence, cultivation and reclamation.