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## SHE WAS PACKED IN TRUNK WHILE ALIVE

### Italian-Police Working on Mystery Surrounding American Woman Found in Lake.

## MARRIAGE TOOK PLACE AT WILMINGTON, DEL.

### Nothing is Yet Learned as to Whereabouts of Husband—Brother of Unfortunate Wife Says He Received Letter from Her While She Was Enroute to Europe for Honeymoon.

(By Associated Press.)  
COMO, ITALY, June 11.—The police have made but little progress in the direction of solving the mystery of the murder of Mrs. Porter Charlton, of New York, whose body was found in a trunk at the bottom of Lake Como. It has been established that the woman was placed in the trunk while yet alive.

The first idea of the police was that she had been murdered while asleep, as the mattress and sheets in the bed at the house which she occupied, were found covered with blood, but this theory was contradicted by the fact the body was entirely clothed when found.

### Certificate of Marriage.

Among the papers in the trunk was her certificate of marriage to Meville Castle and a letter from a San Francisco attorney, addressed to Castle, in which the lawyer refers to a sum of money to be paid the woman in case of divorce, but advising Castle against divorce. Nothing has been learned as to the whereabouts of Charlton.

It is said by the police that on the evening before the crime is supposed to have been accomplished, Charlton went to a hotel to make a purchase and being asked about his wife, answered that she was not well. Ispoloff, the Russian who is now in custody, still strongly denies any complicity in the crime.

### Married at Wilmington, Del.

SEATTLE, WASH., June 11.—Albert Clay, of Wilmington, Del., who married Mrs. Mary Scott Castle and Porter Charlton, had heard nothing of the death of Mrs. Charlton until an Associated Press reporter gave him the news today.

"The couple came to me at Wilmington and asked to be married and answered all my questions satisfactorily and I performed the ceremony. Charlton seemed to be highly educated, as did the woman. I noted that the woman was much older than Charlton and that he seemed in poor health.

### Was Married in March.

NEW YORK, June 11.—Captain Henry Scott, of the United States coast artillery, now stationed at Fort Wright, Fisher's Island, was told over the telephone today that the woman murdered in Como was his sister, Mrs. Mary Scott-Castle Charlton.

Captain Scott said:  
"The last I heard from Mary was when she sailed for Europe. She then wrote me a steamer letter, telling me that she had married the son of Judge Charlton, of Washington, and that her honeymoon would be spent in Europe. She said the ceremony was performed in Wilmington, Del., March 12, 1910, and that she and her husband had selected Frankfurt-on-the-Rhine, Germany, as the city in which they would spend the better part of their two years away abroad."  
"The letter was received April 16."

## DEATH OF P. G. FITZSIMMONS.

Well Known Old Man Dies After Illness of One Week.  
Patrick G. Fitzsimmons, aged 74 years, died yesterday morning at 9 o'clock in his apartments in the Newport Hotel after an illness of a week. He is survived by his wife and two children, Mrs. N. W. Tenth, of this city, and J. D. Fitzsimmons, of Mansfield, Ohio.

The funeral arrangements have not yet been completed and will be announced later. Mr. Fitzsimmons had lived in this city many years and up to a short time ago was actively engaged in the bakery business. He was one of the city's oldest citizens and his death came as a shock to his many friends.

## WOMAN AWAKES TO FIND BURGLAR IN HER ROOM

### Mrs. George W. Thomas Has Exciting Experience With An Unknown Man.

Disturbed in her slumbers by the sound of someone walking about in her room, Mrs. George W. Thomas, of 1125 Twenty-second street, woke early yesterday morning to find a burglar in her bed room. She at first thought it was her son, but when she inquired if he was not coming in rather late and the intruder hesitatingly replied that he "had just been putting his wheel away," her suspicions were aroused and she leaped out of bed.

Before Mrs. Thomas could light a lamp the man left her room. She went to her son's room and found him sleeping soundly. She did not get a look at the burglar because of the darkness. When she returned to her room she found that her trunk had been ransacked, but nothing was missing. For some reason, Mrs. Thomas did not report the matter to the police until yesterday morning.

## MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR ROOSEVELT'S LANDING

### Great Preparation in Progress at New York for Former President's Return Next Saturday.

(By Associated Press.)  
NEW YORK, June 11.—The committee to arrange a welcome for Colonel Roosevelt on his return next Saturday, completed its work today and the five days intervening will be spent in building stands and in receiving the thousands of guests from all parts of the country.

Colonel Roosevelt is expected at quarantine at 9 o'clock next Saturday morning. An hour earlier the revenue cutter Androscoggin, bearing the mayor's committee of three hundred, the state governors here for the occasion and other notable guests the steamer Nassau, bearing the Roosevelt neighbors of Oyster Bay and a hundred or more other steamers, will start for quarantine. As soon as the liner Kaiserin Augusta Victoria comes to anchor, Colonel Roosevelt will be transferred to the Androscoggin. Mrs. Roosevelt and other members of the family will be transferred to the revenue cutter Manhattan.

## DEATH ENDS ROMANCE

### New York Heiress, Who Married Chauffeur, Passes Away.

## DEMISE IS MADE MYSTERY

### Three Line Advertisement in Newspapers Announces the Ending of Somewhat Notable Career of Millionaire Lady.

(By Associated Press.)  
NEW YORK, June 11.—Three lines of agate type, printed in the advertising columns of the morning papers, carried the news today that death had ended the romance of Margaret Leavitt, the young heiress who ran away from home last January to marry Joe Smollen, the "candy kid," formerly chauffeur for Jim Corbett, the prize fighter.

### Thought to be in Europe.

The advertisement did not say where Mrs. Smollen had died, and the family refused to discuss their grief, but inasmuch as it was understood that Mrs. Smollen had gone abroad, it was first supposed that she had died in Europe. It became known tonight, however, that she had died yesterday at a private sanitarium in this city, whither she had been taken from a hotel, on recommendation of a gynecologist of Bellevue hospital.

Margaret Leavitt was the daughter of G. Howland Leavitt, a millionaire of Bayside, L. I., and was said to be worth \$1,000,000 in her own right. She fell in love with Smollen, who had left the service of Corbett to become chauffeur for her father and when her family disapproved, married him against their will in Jersey City. Three months later, when they separated, the husband declared that his wife had been weaned away from him.

### Would Live Alone.

They did not meet again, except for an appointment in a lawyer's office when Mrs. Smollen asserted her irrevocable intention to live alone. Shortly afterwards it was announced that the disillusioned bride had gone to Europe. She was not seen at her father's home again and today's announcement of her death was the first that had been heard of her since her marital troubles gained notoriety.

## DECLARES SOUTH IN NEED OF TEACHERS

### In Chicago Speech Leslie M. Shaw Says Nowhere is There Greater Ignorance.

## NEWSPAPER REPORTER SHOUTS OUT A DENIAL

### During His Address Before the Hawk Eye Fellowship Club Former Secretary of the Treasury Scores Insurgent Republicans and Turns Attention to Southern People.

(By Associated Press.)  
CHICAGO, ILLS., June 11.—Leslie M. Shaw, former secretary of the treasury, speaking before members of the Hawk Eye Fellowship Club today, scored insurgents in the Republican party and declared stand pat is the only logical principle of government and state. He said the South is ignorant on political questions.

Mr. Shaw's remarks regarding the South were given an unexpected dramatic twist when a Southern newspaper man, who was reporting the address, so far forgot himself that he shouted: "It is not so."

"It is true," the former secretary responded, as he reiterated his statements.

"The South is the best place in the world in which to make a speech," Mr. Shaw said, "because the people are so ignorant of political questions. It is not their fault, but the burden of the great struggle is still upon them but for all that, nowhere is there greater ignorance nor greater eagerness to know."

### Scores Insurgents.

Mr. Shaw took occasion to make this statement regarding the insurgents in the Republican party:

"I have no more respect for those people who style themselves Republicans and are not, than for those Democrats who live in Florida and pretend to be Democrats and are not."

Mr. Shaw had announced that he would speak upon the subject: "Evolution in Politics." His digressions from the subject, however, became vastly more interesting.

### "Evolution in Politics."

"When I was nominated for governor in Iowa in 1897," he began, "my canvass cost me exactly \$250, and a great Democratic paper said that the machine was broken. No man in my state could be elected without a machine behind him, unless he spent \$500,000."

### "This is evolution in politics.

"In Illinois, not long ago, a resident of the state of Washington entered the senatorial contest and he got 20,000 votes."

"This, too, is evolution in politics. "Despite these things, when some of us do not think the direct primary the highest form of government, it is said we have lost faith in the common people."

"We cannot be consistent in play. We are so selfish, so greedy, but we can't rise to the plane of citizenship."

## SHIPS IN COLLISION; ONE MAN DROWNED

### Steamer is Badly Damaged in Crash off Governors Island.

(By Associated Press.)  
NEW YORK, June 11.—A heavy fog over the harbor caused two collisions today between outward bound steamers and heavily laden barges. Less than an hour after the Caroline, of the New York & Porto Rico Steamship Company left her dock, she was back again with her stern bugged a foot out of line, a hole three feet wide in her bow plates and undetermined injuries below the waterline. She had collided with a Standard Oil barge not far off Governors Island.

The shock of the collision was so slight that few of the 127 cabin passengers even knew that there had been an accident. The passengers were sent to hotels and may have to wait until next Saturday, the nearest sailing day, before they can resume their journey.

In the other collision the steamer Borneo, in the freight and passenger service between this port and Halifax, N. S., struck a glancing blow against the wooden sides of a scow.

The Borneo was not injured and continued her trip, but the scow sank in the swift tide of Hell Gate, carrying one unidentified man down with her.

## NEGRO ATTEMPTS ASSAULT AND IS SHOT TO DEATH

### Florida Posse of Citizens Turn Trick on Sheriff and Kill Man in Swamp.

(By Associated Press.)  
PENSACOLA, FLA., June 11.—Robert Matthews, a negro, was shot and killed in a swamp near Bonah, sixteen miles east of this city today, following an attempt to assault the 12-year-old daughter of C. E. Snowden. Bloodhounds of the sheriff were rushed to the scene in an automobile and trailed the negro to a swamp. A posse of farmers followed on horseback and plunged into the swamp. The sheriff and deputies turned back to get horses and upon their return, they found the negro's body riddled with bullets. The posse had disappeared.

## JUDGE HARRIS DROWNS IN MISSISSIPPI RIVER

### Tennessee Jurist Loses Life While Proving His Ability as Swimmer.

(By Associated Press.)  
TIPTONVILLE, TENN., June 11.—Judge Harris, president of the West Tennessee Land Company, of this city, whose life is said to have been several times sought by the Redfoot lake night riders, was drowned while swimming in the Mississippi river, near here, this afternoon.

Harris, with a party of friends, were in a launch on Redfoot lake when, to demonstrate his ability as a swimmer, he plunged into the lake. He swam but a short distance when he threw up his hands and sank. His body was recovered and a post mortem examination showed that his death was due to heart failure.

Through his connection with the West Tennessee Land Company, which claimed the ownership of the lake, Harris incurred the enmity of the night riders. He received a number of letters from the band threatening him with assassination and for months he was constantly accompanied by an armed guard.

Following the assassination of Captain Quentin Rankin by the mob on Walnut Log on the lake in October, 1908, Harris' home here was strongly fortified, mines were planted around it and a strong guard kept watch night and day.

Judge Harris was one of the wealthy men in the state. He was thirty years old.

## INTER-FAMILY FIGHT IS WAGED TO THE DEATH

### In Bloody Battle One Florida Man is Killed and Three Others Probably Fatally Wounded.

(By Associated Press.)  
GREENVILLE, FLA., June 11.—One man was killed outright, two others were probably fatally wounded and a fourth badly cut as the result of an inter-family fight here today, following the trial of a case in court in which Will Joffcoat and Will Sheffield were interested. The trouble grew out of a dispute between them.

Both men drew knives and Flavius Joffcoat went to aid his brother Will Lewis Sheffield, brother of Will Sheffield, came up and it is stated, shot and killed Flavius Joffcoat and shot Will Joffcoat through the head, fatally wounding him. Will Sheffield was badly cut and is in a dying condition, it is said. Lewis Sheffield was cut badly. All are white men and well to do.

Further trouble is feared.

## PROF. HARRIS GOES TO TRIAL AGAIN TOMORROW

### Warrenton Murder Case Will be Heard This Week in Prince William County.

(By Associated Press.)  
MANASSAS, VA., June 11.—The case of the Commonwealth against J. D. Harris will be called for hearing in the Circuit Court by Prince William county today. Both the Commonwealth and Professor Harris are ready and anxious for trial.

The crime, which Professor Harris is charged with the killing of Editor Thompson on a street in Warrenton, Fanango county, last summer, Professor Harris was indicted and tried in Fauquier county, was convicted and given a four-year term in the state penitentiary. During the progress of the case many exceptions were noted to nullify the court, and the case was taken to the Court of Appeals on bills of exceptions, with the result that the Circuit Court was reversed and the case remanded for a new trial.

## SAYS REBELS WERE BUNGOED ON TARIFF

### Provision for Inquiry into Payne-Aldrich Bill is Debated in Senate.

## SUCH APPROPRIATION IS FOUGHT BY DEMOCRATS

### Clause in Sundry Civil Measure Enabling President Taft to Investigate Operation of the New Customs Duty Law is Strongly Opposed by Minority Members of Upper Branch.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 11.—The tariff question again occupied the attention of the senate throughout the day and discussion was not concluded. The subject came up in connection with the provision in the sundry civil appropriation bill providing a fund of \$250,000 with which to enable the President to investigate the operation of the present tariff law. The discussion was participated in by a large number of senators and took a wide range, which everybody understood to be largely colored by present conditions. Senator Clay opened the ball with a sharp Democratic speech, charging that the measure was intended to delude the insurgent Republicans into the belief that there was to be another revision of the tariff, which he tried to prove by several Republican senators, with some measure of success. He was supported by Senator Bailey, of Texas.

### Bring Aldrich In.

They succeeded in bringing Senator Aldrich into the controversy with the result that he made defense of the present law. Senator Clay, of Georgia, said that the Republicans must win or lose in the next election in defending the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill. "They are compelled to defend it," he said. "It is their bill and the President says it is the best bill that ever was put on the statute books."

Senator Gallinger said that he agreed with Mr. Clay, that in the election, this fall the Republican party would be compelled to defend the present tariff, and stand or fall in the defense.

Mr. Aldrich remarked that he admired the facility with which Mr. Clay undertook to define the attitude of the Republican senators towards the tariff.

"I think that the American people are better advised than they are," responded Mr. Clay. Mr. Aldrich dissented.

### People Favor Protection.

"I not only keep my eyes open, but I keep my ears open," replied Mr. Aldrich. "If the senator expects the American people to disown the policy of protection, he is greatly mistaken. There never has been a time when the public was more devoted to that policy than now, as the recent elections have shown."

Mr. Aldrich expressed his conviction that for the present there would be no further revision. He explained why he wanted the proposed investigation into the operation of the tariff. "I want to show," he said, "how groundless were the charges made last year against the present law. So far as I am concerned, the inquiry cannot be too wide, and I am sure that it will justify the votes that were cast for the bill. If the investigation goes on it will bring dismay and defeat to those who have been characterized by the bill in a manner to discredit it."

### Provision Political.

Mr. Clay declared the provision to be purely political.

"Would the senator from Georgia be in favor of a revision of the tariff if his party should be in power two years or four years hence?" asked Mr. Aldrich.

"I would be if my party was in power and we could have a revision along revenue lines," said Mr. Clay.

Mr. Aldrich asked Mr. Clay whether he thought his party had information enough for a revision.

Mr. Clay suggested that the Democratic party had shown intelligence enough in the past to revise the tariff.

### For Suspension of Judgment.

Mr. Bailey found in the provision to appropriate \$250,000 a mere device to obtain a suspension of judgment until after the next election. He said it was not intended to produce

an inquiry of such general scope as the insurgents had predicted, but merely to carry out the present law; therefore, he intimated, the insurgents had been buncoed.

## ELKS ARRANGE TO OBSERVE FLAG DAY

### Interesting Program for Exercises to be Held at the Home Tuesday Evening.

Newport News Lodge No. 315, B. P. O. E. Elks, will hold Flag Day exercises at the lodge home on Thirty-second street Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. Flag Day is something new with the local lodge and every possible effort is being exerted to make it a success.

A very interesting program has been arranged for the occasion and the indications are that the exercises will prove among the most enjoyable that have been held at the lodge home in several years. The public has been invited to attend.

Following is the complete program: Music, "Star Spangled Banner"—Schmidt's Orchestra.

Introductory exercises—Exalted ruler and officers.

Prayer—Chaplain.

Song, "Columbia the Gem of the Ocean"—Hampton Roads Glee Club and audience.

Flag Record—S. O. Bland, Esteemed Lecturing Knight.

Altar service—Esquire and officers.

Song, "Auld Lang Syne"—Hampton Roads Glee Club and audience.

Song, Selected—Miss Ada Lucile Brooks.

Music, Southern airs—Schmidt's Orchestra.

Recitation, Selected—Miss Movella Hart Downing.

Song, Selected—Mr. Oscar H. Lehman.

Address—Allan D. Jones.

Song, "America"—Hampton Roads Glee Club and audience.

## HE PAID TO BRIBE FUND

### Volunteer Witness Appears in Illinois Graft Scandal.

### TIRED OF CONTRIBUTING

### Complainant Walks Into Grand Jury Room and Tells His Story of Being Forced to Give Money for Proper Legislation for the Fish Business.

(By Associated Press.)  
SPRINGFIELD, ILLS., June 11.—Along with more communications bearing additional volunteer information for State's Attorney Burke, came the first volunteer witness of the investigation in the person of J. D. McLean, of Meredos, who today walked into the office of the state's attorney, but did not find him in, so bolted into the grand jury room, which is investigating legislative methods regarding the fishing bill, where he was permitted to testify.

### Tells About It.

"Yes, I contributed to the fund to kill the fish bill," he said.

"I gave the money to Otto Schwehr and he told me it was to be used to defeat the bill. We have been held up every legislative year for so long that it is time we were doing something to stop it. They come to us and tell us they have to have the money and there is nothing for us to do but produce."

Dan Yeck, also of Meredos, testified today that he paid \$100 to Schwehr and \$25, which was collected by John Dixon, of Peoria.

### Wanted More.

In his testimony today, McLean told of a meeting of fish dealers in Springfield during the legislative session. They were told it would take \$1,000 to kill the fish bill. After he returned home, he was informed it would take \$2,000. A little later, it was raised to \$3,000 and finally they were told, also, that if they made it \$4,000 a bill would be passed which would give the fish dealers everything they wanted in a legislative way.

### Grand Larceny Charged.

George E. Love was arrested yesterday by Detective Sergeant Henry Bridgers on the charge of grand larceny. It is alleged that the negro stole \$70 in cash from John E. Mallcott.

## CONDITION BRINGS FORTH NEW PARTY

### Speaker at Pinchot and Garfield Reception Dwells on Political Issue.

## LEADERS ARE ROOSEVELT AND HONORED GUESTS

### Tribute is Paid Former Officials of United States Forestry Department in Banquet Hall at St. Paul, Minn.—Difference Between Insurgents and Regular Republicans is Out.

(By Associated Press.)  
ST. PAUL, MINN., June 11.—Following an informal reception to Gifford Pinchot and James R. Garfield, this evening about 500 members and friends of the St. Paul Roosevelt Club filled the large banquet room of the Ryan hotel, thus fulfilling a long deferred tribute to Messrs. Pinchot and Garfield in recognition of their work in assisting the former President in his effort for conservation of public domain. Justice E. A. Jaggard, of the Minnesota Supreme Court, was toastmaster.

### Unnamed Party.

Introducing Judge Jaggard, President Hugh T. Halbert, of the Roosevelt Club, awakened the enthusiasm of the banqueters by a reference to an unnamed party, some of the leaders of which, he said, were present.

He said in part:  
"The Roosevelt Club has consistently stood for the conservation of ideals and the conservation of men and against plunder and graft."

"This country has lived on its capital, but at last has awakened to the fact that it will soon exhaust its natural resources by the inequitable distribution of its wealth in direct violation of the law of equal opportunity of its citizens. This condition has brought about the formation of a new party without name, but not without an issue, nor without leaders."

### Has Two Wings.

"That party has two wings, composed of those called conservatives and those called progressives, but the real division is composed of those who favor the rights of the people as against those who favor a monopoly of the benefits of the public domain. That party may be unnamed, but its leaders are Theodore Roosevelt and our honored guests, Gifford Pinchot and James R. Garfield."

## LITTLE DELAYED BUT DUKE IS MARRIED

### Millionaire Durham Tobacco-ist Weds at Camden, N. J.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., June 11.—Hrodie L. Duke, and Miss Wylanta Roschelle were married today in Camden, N. J. The ceremony was performed by Justice of the Peace H. F. Harrison and the witnesses were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hill.

Frustrated here yesterday, in his attempt to take unto himself a fourth wife, by unexpected and most unwelcome publicity and by the antipathy of a Presbyterian minister to the marriage of divorcer persons, the tobacco magnate of Durham, N. C., and his protégé and would-be bride, vanished from this place and were gone until late this afternoon, when they returned to the local hotel, where Duke was staying before his disappearance and the name of "Mrs. B. L. Duke, North Carolina" was added to the register.

### Claims Residence in New Jersey.

CAMDEN, N. J., June 11.—After several hours of effort newspaper men succeeded in interviewing Justice of the Peace Garrison at 1 o'clock Sunday morning with reference to the Duke wedding. He admitted performing the marriage. It was learned that Mr. Duke claimed to be a resident of New Jersey and gave his address as 112, New Jersey avenue, Atlantic City. Under the state law a marriage license is unnecessary if one of the contracting parties is a resident of the state.

### Objects to Public Place.

Mr. Duke and Miss Roschelle crossed the Delaware river, from Philadelphia on a ferry boat and a cabman, who took them to the office of Justice Garrison in the court house, said Mr. Duke asked to be shown to the office of a justice. Upon their arrival at the court house Miss Roschelle objected to being married in a public place and Justice Garrison obligingly took them to the home of Frank Hill, where the ceremony was performed.