

Only Four Days Remain for Free Beauty Photos



MRS. M. G. BENJAMIN,

Of 535 T Street Northwest, Who Very Nearly Won Last
Week's Prize in the Beauty Contest.

JAMES STROTHER IN A FIST FIGHT AT CULPEPER

Resents a Criticism and
Thrashes Man Nam-
ed Treadway.

Trouble has again struck the Strother family, now famous for killing young Bywaters in Culpeper because of their sister, according to reports received in this city today.

The story is that James F. Strother, one of the brothers who shot William F. Bywaters to death, became involved in a fist fight last Saturday evening with a real estate man of Culpeper named Treadway, because Treadway was a friend of Bywaters, the man who was forced to marry Viola Strother, the Strother men's sister.

According to this report, Strother beat Treadway badly.

James F. Strother's version of the encounter has not yet been obtained, but Mr. Treadway's story, according to the report, is that he and Strother met Saturday evening outside a saloon and Strother said anybody who differed with his opinion on the Bywaters-Strother case was worthy of a vile name. After that Strother struck Treadway, according to the Treadway version.

TWO NEW TREATIES NEARLY PREPARED

It was announced at the State Department today that a substantial agreement had been reached between the United States and Great Britain upon a treaty which will cover all questions relating to fisheries, which have been such a fruitful source of difficulty between the two countries.

The treaty eventually will also include all questions that have been in dispute as to the use of waters along the boundary between the United States and Canada, including those connected with the Milk river, the Rainy lake region, Niagara Falls, and the St. Johns river.

A substantial agreement has also been reached between the United States and Germany upon a new modus vivendi, covering the tariff between the two countries.

Baron von Strunburg, the German ambassador, who leaves for home tomorrow, had a final conference with Secretary Root today and will carry the draft with him for submission to a committee of the German cabinet.

FOURTH WEEKLY PRIZE IS NOW TO BE AWARDED

Times Desires at Least
Fifteen Hundred More
Pictures.

For securing free sittings in the photograph studios of Washington in connection with the beauty contest of The Sunday Times, only four more days remain. Friday will be the last day that women whose photographs are for entry in the contest can secure them from photographers free of charge.

This limit is set by the photographers who declare that so great has been the demand for the free sittings that they must have from April 12 until April 21, the closing day of the competition, to develop the negatives and submit the photographs in finished form for the contest. To be sure of getting the photographs in on time, those wishing any taken this week should apply to the Beauty Editor for the requisite order as soon as possible.

Fourth Weekly Contest Now On.

The fourth weekly contest is now on and will close Friday midnight. After that there will be only one more weekly contest, and the general contest will close April 21.

From this it is evident that no time is to be lost in the submission of photographs. Although there have been sent to The Sunday Times approximately 1,500 photographs, The Sunday Times does not believe that this number is anywhere near the total number of women in the District of Columbia who are beautiful. It hopes, with the aid of the interested public, to submit to the final judges 3,000 photographs of the city's lovely women.

On the final award will rest the decision of whether Washington's fame as the home of the nation's paramount beauty is to be maintained. This reputation will have to be held up against candidates from every State and big city in the confines of the United States. The Sunday Times wants the victory for Washington, wants it on the strength of putting forward the woman who is without question the most lovely in the city.

Boasts of Other Cities.

New York city is making desperate efforts to bring to the front a woman who will win the contest. Kentucky, (Continued on Third Page.)

FIREMAN DEAD; CARBARN BURN; LOSS \$2,000,000

Big New York Traction
Plant Is Totally
Destroyed.

Falling Walls of Gauge
House Crush Fire
Fighters.

Three Hundred and Fifty
Trolley Cars Are
Demolished.

NEW YORK, April 8.—In a desperate and hopeless battle to save the big plant of the Metropolitan Street Railway Company and a dozen big apartment buildings in the neighborhood early today, one fire captain lost his life, a fireman was fatally hurt, and thirteen men were injured. The big power plant and car barns were almost completely demolished and 350 cars were destroyed. The loss is put at \$2,000,000.

A series of terrific explosions accompanied the fire. In one of these the walls of the building were blown out and six men were buried beneath tons of brick, one of them losing his life.

The Dead and Injured.

The dead:
John Ryan, captain of engine company No. 80, crushed by falling wall and died as last rites were being administered to him by the Rev. Father Charles Molloy. Ryan was sixty years old, a widower. He had been connected with the fire department for thirty-seven years.

Fatally injured:
Frederick J. Leopold, of engine company No. 80. Taken to the Washington Heights Hospital in a dying condition.

The injured:
John Connors, fireman of engine company No. 80, scalp wound.
John Roxbury, of engine company No. 80, severely bruised.
James E. Coakley, of engine company No. 80, cut about the head and severely bruised.
John McCron, of engine company No. 80, severe bruises.
Thomas Larkin, deputy fire chief, shocked by coming in contact with third rail.
Eight firemen, shocked by coming in contact with third rail.
Tony Mosia, twenty-six years old, car inspector, caught under the falling walls and skull fractured, also internally injured; taken to Washington Heights Hospital, may die.
O'Connor, battalion chief, struck on head by falling beam, severe scalp wound.

Manager Root's Statement.

"The total loss will amount to at least \$2,000,000. In rolling stock alone we have lost \$1,500,000."

Such was the first statement made by General Manager Oren Root when he arrived at the scene of the fire this morning. "We have lost 350 cars," said Mr. Root. "This must of necessity inconvenience, though not cripple, the service. In our equipment we have cars enough, but we shall be forced from now on to run open cars instead of combination cars, as is usual at this time of the year."

In regard to the machinery and dynamo, it will be impossible to estimate the damage until a more thorough examination can be made.

A workman in the gauge-house first discovered the flames. It is believed that they were caused by a short circuit. An alarm was turned in, but before a warning could be spread around the plant there was an explosion in the boiler room and a wall toppled over.

Night Captain Ryan and Leopold and three men narrowly escaped being buried.

Crushed Under Walls.

Engine company No. 80 was the next to reach the scene. It was the members of this company who met with the fatalities and injuries. They proceeded around to 14th street and made their way to the rear of the machine shops. While they were at work from that point there was an explosion and the walls of the gauge-house collapsed, burying Captain Ryan and Leopold.

With the first crash of the walls there was a general stampede of the firemen. Then a roll call was held, and it was found that Captain Ryan and Leopold were missing.

Firemen McCron and Connors managed to drag Ryan and Leopold from beneath the debris, and as they reached the street the Rev. Father Molloy appeared. While he was administering the last rites of the church to Ryan the brave captain died.

THE WEATHER REPORT.

The weather will clear tonight in the Washington forecast district, except that snow or rain is probable in the lower lake region and northern New York with lower temperature. It will also be colder in the lower Mississippi valley and the east Gulf States. Tuesday will be partly cloudy with but little change in temperature.

Storm warnings are displayed on the New England coast.

TEMPERATURE.

5 a. m. 41
12 noon 45
1 p. m. 51

DOWN TOWN.

(Registered, Affleck's Standard Thermometer.)
9 a. m. 47
12 noon 48
1 p. m. 53

SUN TABLE.

Sun rises today 6:21
Sun sets tomorrow 6:21
Sun rises tomorrow 6:22

TIDE TABLE.

High tide today 4:52 p. m.
Low tide today 11:28 p. m.
High tide tomorrow 5:52 p. m.
Low tide tomorrow 12:28 a. m.

HARPERS FERRY, W. Va., April 8.—

Rath steers clear.

Mrs. Ida Von Claussen Indignant; Asks Interview With President To Protest Against Minister



MRS. IDA M. VON CLAUSSEN,

Wearing the Gown She Had Especially Made for Her Expected Presentation to King Oscar of Sweden, Which Never Took Place.

ENDLESS CHAIN PLAN TO FIND YOUNG MARVIN

Great Interest Manifest-
ed in the Proposition of
The Sunday Times.

To the Editor of The Times:

The suggestion in the columns of The Sunday Times that your readers submit their ideas and theories about the probable whereabouts of little Horace Marvin, of Dover, Del., and the probable manner of his disappearance must appeal to every one as eminently fitting and sensible. Not only will these theories be interesting, but new light may be shed on what promises to be one of the greatest cases of child disappearance in the history of the world.

New Argument Needed.

It is evident that the authorities and the bereaved relatives now conducting the search would be helped to an inestimable extent if even one of your readers should suggest a new line of argument, a new method of investigation that would give them some hitherto unexplored channel of inquiry.

Another tack might well be followed with beneficent results. It would be the best thing imaginable if the people would look through their own sections of the city. If each of your readers did this conscientiously, it would be developed whether or not the boy was in the District of Columbia.

To carry the suggestion further, if a newspaper in each city and (Continued on Third Page.)

CASE OF THAW BEFORE JURY BY WEDNESDAY

NEW YORK, April 8.—The twelfth week of the trial of Harry Kendall Thaw for the killing of Stanford White, the millionaire architect, began this morning, and the report of the lunacy commission, finding the accused sane, was confirmed by Justice Fitzgerald, who directed that the trial should proceed.

Jurors Again in Court.

Shortly before the jurors were brought into court District Attorney Jerome made a formal and pro-funatory appeal to the court, asking it not to confirm the report of the insanity commission, which had found Harry Thaw sane and capable of directing his own defense.

"In view of the finding of the lunacy commission I can only accept it," said Justice Fitzgerald in answer to Jerome. "The trial will resume."

Dr. Allen McLane Hamilton was called to the stand as the first witness, but objection from Jerome to Delmas' line of questioning was sustained by the court, and the effort of the defense to have the witness say he considered Thaw insane at the time he shot White was withdrawn.

After a few moments conference with his colleagues, Dr. Delmas announced "the defense rests."

Justice Fitzgerald then intervened to (Continued on Second Page.)

SAYS ENVOY AT STOCKHOLM INSULTED HER

"Mrs. von Claussen has no appointment here," said an official very close to the President today. "If she comes she will be referred to the State Department. She will not be received by the President."

Chief Knew the House.

The police are certain that the robbery was the work of some one familiar with the house, and that the person had actual knowledge that the valuables were in the trunk. So carefully had Mrs. Famiglietti guarded her secret that she was unable to ascertain the name of any one outside the immediate family that had any knowledge of her lottery winnings.

Prostrated over the loss of her money, Mrs. Famiglietti is confined to a bed in her brother's home, and denies herself all care, unable to return to her home where the money still in her possession.

"It will be all right until Monday," she told her brother.

The detectives learned that they were about twenty persons in the house when the fire was discovered. So far they have been unable to ascertain that any one was seen either going up or down stairs, except the Italian whose baby was crying.

"He was gone less than a minute, and absolutely no suspicion is attached to his actions."

Outrageous Treatment.

"Of course, I must wait until President Roosevelt has heard me before declaring anything definite. My treatment in Stockholm by Minister Graves was outrageous, and, although I went there knowing few people, I have since made a host of friends who are indignant at the action of the American minister. He gave me one excuse for not presenting me and the newspapers another. I (Continued on Second Page.)

STOLE \$10,900 CHECK

Certified and Indorsed
All Ready for
Cashing.

Thief Robs Bride-Elect
Of Her Jewels
Also.

Mrs. M. Famiglietti's
Wedding Feast
Halted.

Robbing the bride-elect of a certified check for \$10,900, several hundred dollars' worth of jewelry, and a deed for property valued at \$1,000, one of the guests at the entertainment to celebrate the coming wedding of Mrs. Mary Torrallo Famiglietti, of 314 Fifth street north-east, fled from the house last night, after setting fire to the home in an effort to cover up all trace of his theft.

Had it not been for the cries of a two-year-old baby, who was in a room adjoining the one in which the incendiary attempted his work, it is probable that Michael Torrallo's home would be in ruins today.

Mrs. Famiglietti was to have been married the later part of this week, and as is customary among Italians of means, Michael was giving a series of receptions and parties for his daughter.

Last night the house was cleared for a dance and supper. Carpets were taken off the floors and two guitar players had been engaged to furnish music.

Fire Is Discovered.

Just when the festivities were at their height, a baby, which one of the guests had put to bed on the second floor, woke up and began to cry. The father went upstairs, and discovered fire in Mrs. Famiglietti's room. Grabbing the child in his arms, he rushed downstairs and informed the others that the house was on fire. It was only a small blaze, however, and was easily extinguished with a few buckets of water. The fire had been started in a pile of clothing behind the trunk containing the check and other valuables.

Mrs. Famiglietti made an investigation and found the key to the trunk in the lock. She had left it in the pocket of her coat, which she had hung in a wardrobe before coming downstairs.

Money and Diamonds Gone.

Opening the trunk, she found that the check was missing and also the property deed. A further investigation disclosed the fact that two diamond rings and a diamond brooch valued at \$200 were also gone.

When the robbery was reported to the police, Inspector Boardman detailed Central Office Detective Grant and Detective Oriani, the Italian member of the force, on the case. Police of the Ninth precinct are also working on the case, but up to noon today they had been unable to obtain any clue to the identity of the thief.

Check Was Indorsed.

Saturday Mrs. Famiglietti told her brother she was nervous about keeping the check in the house. He advised her to put the money in a bank. After indorsing the check she started down town, but, as it was after banking hours, she was obliged to return to her home with the money still in her possession.

Dream Combination Won.

Taking all the money in her possession, she sought out the agent of a lottery company the next day, and played the numbers she had seen in the dream. The combination, she says, won, netting her \$15,000. It was the last time she ever played.

Working on the theory that the job was done by some one who came to the house in the guise of a guest, the detectives this morning questioned all the Italians that visited the place last (Continued on Second Page.)

J. H. Small & Sons, Florists,

Washington and New York.—Adv.