

DOZEN WIVES LEFT TO MOURN WHEN BOGUS PARSON DIES

NEWBURGH, N. Y., Dec. 14.—After a spectacular career of crime as a clergyman, forger, bigamist, and fireman, Samuel Oakley Crawford, also known as the Rev. Arthur Worthington, is dead here of heart disease.

Death came suddenly fifteen minutes after a Wilmington, Del., woman identified him as the man who recently fled with her \$500 savings after a brief courtship. It is said that the shock produced by the visit of the woman caused his death.

Crawford leaves a long string of wives. It is said. Eight of them are still living. Using, among others, the names of Major S. B. Walton, Gen. A. B. Ward, and the Rev. Arthur Worthington, Crawford married more than a dozen girls and women. In every instance, with one exception, they had money and after getting control of it he deserted. By exercising his cleverness as a forger, he is said to have mulcted sums aggregating at least \$1,000,000 from his various wives.

He was expelled from the church here by the presbytery last October and from that time his name became notorious. He was charged, among other things with blasphemy, because he claimed "never in all my life have I committed an act to cast dishonor or discredit upon the name of Christ."

Father in Engineers, Two Sons in Army, Girl A Nurse; All in France

MARQUETTE, Mich., Dec. 14.—The family of William Piggott, of Negaunee, can boast of being probably the only entire family in the United States in the service of the nation.

Every member, including the father, two sons, and a daughter, are now overseas in the service of Uncle Sam. William Piggott, the father, being an expert railroad man, is now in France with the railroad corps. His youngest son joined the regulars and was one of the first men to set foot on French soil.

The daughter then joined the American hospital service, and is over in France now with the unit endowed by Miss Hill, daughter of the late James J. Hill. The oldest son joined the national guard and, according to word received in Negaunee today by friends has reached France as a part of the Rainbow division.

MEADE 'NON-COMS' WHO QUIT CAMP ARE SENTENCED

CAMP MEADE, Md., Dec. 14.—Non-commissioned officers in the regular army who quit the national army to go back to their old units learned today that the way of the transgressor at Camp Meade is hard labor for six months.

Under the impression that their old units would protect them, several non-commissioned officers left the camp and journeyed to their former army posts, one man going so far as Fort Oglethorpe, Ga.

The army does not stand for this unceremonious shifting about of its "non-coms." In every case they were arrested and sent by the next train back to Camp Meade where they were charged with being "in desertion," which later was changed to "absent without leave."

Sergeant Glenn Payne, of the Second Training Battalion, 184th Depot Brigade, was tried, was found guilty, has been reduced in rank, and will do hard labor for six months, forfeiting two-thirds of his pay for that period.

The million-dollar base hospital was in full operation today, with 313 Meade men, who had been confined in field hospitals, distributed through the wards. There were ten under treatment for mumps and twenty for measles. With one exception other patients were suffering from minor troubles. There is one case of meningitis, which is under close observation. It is the first to be discovered, and every precaution is being taken to prevent its spread.

Forty-nine second lieutenants from Pennsylvania were transferred from Camp Meade today to the quartermaster's training camps at Jacksonville, Fla., and Newport News, Va.

NEW ARMY DRAFT REGISTRATION TO BEGIN TOMORROW

Beginning tomorrow, voluntary enlistments in the United States army of registered men will be forbidden, except for certain medical and dental students.

Uncle Sam will select his fighting men from the list of 9,000,000 men who tomorrow will begin to answer 148 searching questions, the answers to which will determine their ability to military work. A man is to be selected on the basis of his answers to the questionnaire automatically revokes all exemptions and discharges under the first draft. Failure to return answers in seven days after receipt makes the registrant liable to a year in prison. Mailing of the list by the local board constitutes legal notice to the registrant. Failure to receive is no excuse.

Detailed information. The questions are framed to draw out every bit of information that may be of value to the boards in fixing the class to which a man is to be assigned. No detail of the status of dependents, or of possible or actual outside sources of income, has been overlooked.

The registrant, after filling in the inside of his questionnaire, indicates on the front the class to which he believes he should be assigned. If the board agrees, there is no further action necessary by either party until the individual comes due for military service and is called up for physical examination. If the board disagrees and places the registrant in another class, the machinery for appeal to the district board is set in motion automatically.

Of the 9,000,000 men who will receive the lengthy questionnaire, it is estimated 2,000,000 will be assigned to the first class and subject to duty with the colors before any man in any other class is called.

The first class will be made up of the following:

Persons in First Class.

A—Single man without dependent relatives.

B—Married man, with or without children, or father of motherless children, who has habitually failed to support his family.

C—Married man dependent on wife for support.

D—Married man, with or without children, or father of motherless children; man not usefully engaged, family supported by income independent of his labor.

E—Unskilled farm labor.

F—Unskilled industrial laborer.

SEC. LANE CARRIES PRESIDENT'S CHEER TO SUFFRAGISTS

Suffrage leaders today express greater confidence in the passage of the Federal amendment following a speech last night at Poll's Theater by Franklin K. Lane, Secretary of the Interior, who came before the convention as the representative of President Wilson.

"I come tonight to bring you a word of congratulation and of good will from the first man of the nation," said Secretary Lane, "the President of the United States and the foremost leader in liberal thought in the world. Liberal leaders of the world now center their hopes upon the one man who leads free America.

"To have such a man with you means more than support. It means that you have with you the conscience and the spirit of today and tomorrow."

During the afternoon President Wilson received a suffrage delegation from Arkansas headed by Mrs. T. T. Cotman, of Little Rock.

WAR DEPARTMENT STRIPS ARMY OF AUSTRIANS

The War Department began today the task of removing soldiers of Austrian descent from the fighting end of the American army. Special orders demanded the removal of 100 men with Austrian names to the United States disciplinary barracks guard and their assignment to the Fort Leavenworth Barracks.

Their duties as members of the guard are like police work and their transfer is precautionary and not punitive. The department declined to announce a policy in connection with the Austrians, but indicated clearly that it will strip the army of any men who might prove dangerous later.

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Commissioner of Internal Revenue Roper has issued a ruling that dues paid before November 1, but covering a subsequent period, are liable to the Government tax. He also issued a ruling holding theater managers responsible for the war tax on all tickets, whether these tickets were sold in advance to scalpers or not.

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ENGLAND PREPARING FOR POST-WAR TRADE

LONDON, Dec. 14.—That England is busy preparing for handling trade problems that will follow the war is the declaration here of Sir Albert Stanley, president of the board of trade, who was the guest last night of the officers and directors of the American Chamber of Commerce.

America and England will be keen business rivals after the war, he said, but it will be on a basis of friendly competition. He declared that the association between British and American soldiers is certain to see for a strong and permanent friendship between the two nations.

FRENCH GUARD CREWLESS ZEPPELIN, FEARING TRICK

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 14.—Military authorities are today guarding a Zeppelin which landed yesterday in the village of Zemene. It is feared that the airship is loaded with bombs.

There was no crew on the ship which was flying a French flag, says a report from Zemene.

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