

POLICE AFFIRM NOBLE'S DEATH AS HIS MOTHER INVESTIGATES

Is Charles Noble really dead? Police authorities of Baltimore today answered "Yes." They base their belief on a well-connected chain of evidence.

Mrs. John J. Moran, of 444 Manor place northwest, mother of the missing man, declares her son is still alive. She pins her faith on womanly intuition.

Meanwhile, a body is lying at the District morgue waiting final disposition. It was shipped to this city from Baltimore October 18. Two persons had identified the body five days previously as that of Charles Noble. These persons knew Noble intimately. One of them was the business agent of a union to which Noble belonged. So firm was this man's conviction he immediately paid over a death benefit sum out of the treasury of the union.

Another body buried. Another body is buried in the Baltimore City Cemetery. A simple marking states the body is that of Henry Lutz. The grave is beside another grave more recently filled. The newer grave contains the body of Mrs. Henry Lutz, who died three days after her husband, at a hospital in Baltimore. The Lutz family is well known in Baltimore. When Henry Lutz died, his body was turned over to Undertaker Turner for burial. Turner is a friend of the Lutz family. He knew Henry Lutz for a number of years before his death. After preparing the body for burial, Turner took it to the cemetery in the Baltimore City Cemetery.

Here the body lay for several days, until a grave could be dug. While Lutz's body was in the chapel a member of the family came to the cemetery to make further arrangements for the funeral. This person was Miss Alice Lutz, sister of the dead man. She had nursed him during his last illness.

Takes Last Look. While in the chapel she took a last look at her brother. Standing at her side was the man from the cemetery. He is a friend of the Lutz family. He knew Henry Lutz for a long period of time.

The cemetery keeper recognized the features of his friend. He declared today that the body was that of Henry Lutz. This body was the one "identified" by Mrs. John J. Moran as that of her son, Charles Noble, according to statements by Baltimore police officials.

Undertaker Turner and the keeper of the Baltimore City Cemetery. Charles Noble went to Baltimore on the morning of October 10. He had been ill, and wanted to get some medicine for his mother, members of the family declared. On the night of October 10, a police judge of Baltimore city had difficulty in preventing a man from committing suicide. The man was endeavoring to cut his throat while standing in the middle of a city bridge.

Policeman Called. A policeman was called, and the man taken to the city jail. There he gave his name as Charles Dougherty. The next day, Charles Dougherty was sentenced to twelve days in jail for drunkenness. He was ill at the time, and died during the night. Pneumonia was ascribed as the cause. Among his effects were papers that led the police to believe the man had assumed an alias. He was referred to as "Charles Noble," and a Washington address was given.

The address was that of the Shepherd House, 1002 B street northwest. This house is where Charles Noble had been rooming. The Baltimore police authorities telephoned this information to police headquarters in Washington. They then sent the body of Charles Dougherty, alias Charles Noble, to the Baltimore city morgue. On Saturday, the next day, the morgue master sent the body to potter's field for burial.

Sister Notified. The Washington police communicated with the Shepherd House and were told to notify Miss Katie Whidmayer, of 3222 Georgia avenue northwest, sister of Charles Noble. Monday, October 21, Miss Whidmayer, went to Baltimore. She was accompanied by a policeman.

ADVERTISEMENT. BETTER THAN CALOMEL

Thousands Have Discovered Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets are a Harmless Substitute

Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets—the substitute for calomel—is a mild but sure laxative, and their effect on the liver is almost instantaneous. They are the result of Dr. Edwards' determination not to treat liver and bowel complaints with calomel. His efforts to banish it brought out these little olive-colored tablets. The pleasant taste and the good effect that calomel does, but has no bad after effects. They do not injure the teeth like strong liquids or calomel. They take hold of the trouble and quickly correct it. Why cure the liver at the expense of the teeth? Calomel sometimes plays havoc with the gums. It is a bad habit to use calomel, but to let Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets take its place. Most headaches, "dullness" and that lazy feeling come from constipation and a disordered liver. Take Dr. Edwards' Olive Tablets when you feel "foggy" and "heavy." Note how they "clean" the bowels and how they "put" the spirits, 30c and 50c a box. All druggists.

TAXIS THAT DON'T TAX WAGE SWIFT FIGHT WITH "FLU"

Taxis to anywhere at any time free, is the service offered by the newest and most modern taxi company in Washington which, each day, is answering over a thousand calls, covering more than 4,000 miles of ground and employing over 150 chauffeurs and chauffeur-ettes.

This taxicab service is run entirely by volunteers. Gasoline and oil is supplied by the Government. All the automobiles were loaned by people in Washington to help fight the epidemic of Spanish influenza.

Meet the Bosses. This information comes from Lieut. Howard S. Flisk, of the Navy Pay Corps, and Dr. Charles V. Herdlika, of the Public Health Service, both of whom are president, vice president, secretary, manager, bookkeeper, and supply department of the Public Health Service Taxicab Service. Headquarters are in the Webster School, Tenth and H streets northwest.

Lieutenant Flisk says that no taxi service can beat this one. Dr. Herdlika says that Washington is receiving a real treat. How do they do it in war time? This is the question both Lieut. Flisk and Dr. Herdlika say they can answer upon a moment's notice.

What Lieutenant Flisk Says. Here is what Lieutenant Flisk says about the taxicab service and why it is better than any in Washington: "Our keynote is efficiency. Our capital—well, we have none. Our chauffeurs are men, women, boys and girls. We pay no salaries. We use over 150 different cars, roadsters, and nearly every make of car on the market. We are always ready. We run the only perfect service."

Dr. Herdlika, in addition to holding three or four executive positions in the taxi service, is also a statistician. Here is what he says: "The whole secret of our service is that it is free. Our work is to carry more than 100 nurses and physicians to more than 1,000 addresses a day. To do this we need automobiles. We asked the public to lend us their cars and their chauffeurs or to rent them themselves. They responded, and we supplied them with gas and oil and organized our service. You see, we are running this taxicab service for the public health service. Our cause is worthy, also immediate. Persons in Washington suffering from the influenza need nurses and physicians, and need them quick."

1,000 Calls a Day. We answer 1,000 calls each day. We carry more than 2,000 passengers each day. We use more than 600 gallons of gasoline each day. Two hire taxicabs would cost us over \$2,500 a day. We are proud of our service, but especially proud of our chauffeurs and chauffeur-ettes. But still we need more cars.

Dr. Herdlika and Lieutenant Flisk have been working from 8 o'clock in the morning to midnight. They have been doing this for the past two weeks, and will continue it until the epidemic wanes. Here are a few of the figures Dr. Herdlika gives about the taxi service. It has made over 25,000 calls, 5,000 trips covered over 100,000 miles, and has carried more than 40,000 passengers since its inception, several weeks ago.

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They told the Baltimore police they had come early to the morgue. Then they went to see Undertaker Turner and made arrangements to have the body shipped to Washington for burial. At the direction of the Baltimore police, Noble's body was disinterred from the potter's field. Both Miss Whidmayer and O'Leary identified the body as that of Charles Noble. They asked Undertaker Turner to send it to Washington for burial in the family cemetery here.

When the casket was opened at Rock Creek cemetery here October 18, Mrs. Moran declared the body was not that of her son. The body was taken to the District morgue and is held there now pending a claimant. "Not Noble's Body." "The body at the District morgue is not Noble's body. It is that of a man who has been dead at least two months." This statement was made today by A. B. O'Leary, who assisted in the identification at potter's field in Baltimore several weeks ago.

According to O'Leary, Noble's body has just been located and identified by the dead man's sister-in-law. It was found in the potter's field in Baltimore yesterday, and will be brought to Washington for burial next week. O'Leary is arranging to have several members of the Electricians' Union go to Baltimore early next week to identify the body. If they are satisfied the body is really that of Noble, it will be brought here for burial.

"I am sure," O'Leary said today, "that Mrs. Moran will be satisfied that the body we will bring to Washington next week is that of her son. The whole affair was due to the undertaker shipping the wrong body, and the body at the District morgue is not the one I identified in Baltimore."

When told this morning that Noble's body was reported to have been located in Baltimore, Mrs. Moran gave little credence to the report. She still maintains that the body which she "identified," and which was later found to be that of Henry Lutz, was her son.

ADVERTISEMENT. BOARD REINSTATES WORKERS

The War Labor Board has ordered the reinstatement of twenty of the employees of the General Electric Company, of Lynn, Mass., in a decision handed down affecting the disagreement between the employees and the company. The board held that the men were dismissed as a discrimination against the union.

O'HARA AT CAMP DEVENS. CAMP LEE, Va., Oct. 26.—Major Arthur O'Hara, formerly at Camp Devens, now is judge advocate at Camp Devens, Mass. Prior to entering the army Major O'Hara was lieutenant governor of Illinois, and chairman of the vice commission that cleaned up that State.

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D. C. AMBULANCE DRIVER DECORATED

Driving his ambulance forward in the face of a withering machine gun and shrapnel fire, Private William E. Linden, twenty-six years old, of Washington, rescued desperately wounded Americans from an advanced battalion post last July, and, laughing at the advancing Germans, carried his charges to safety, although his machine was scarred and riddled by shell and shrapnel.

"Thanks for the magazine—several good stories in it," he writes to his sister, a war worker here. "Incidentally they gave me a Croix de Guerre for that trip to the battalion post last July," he added ingenuously. "I'm not at the front now, but vacationing in Dinard and St. Malo, on the coast of Brittany. That's not all, but we are actually having dances in a peach of a ballroom and we have a bathing beach, too. It's not against the censorship regulations to tell where our outfit happens to be now. I guess the Germans are retreating so fast they haven't got time to worry about bombing points in the south of France—even if they could get there."

Private Linden formerly lived at 805 Seward Square southeast. He left for France over a year ago. Linden is a Georgetown Law School man, a member of Delta Chi Fraternity, and a member of the American embassy at Madrid to enlist.

CHICAGO'S CHORUS GIRLS QUIT STAGE

CHICAGO, Oct. 26.—Chicago's small army of chorus girls, thrown out of work when theaters were closed, may never return to the stage.

They have gone into a hundred-and-one different industries. After putting in a final punch or two for the fourth Liberty loan, they scattered and found jobs in restaurants, candy and cigar stores, and muniton plants. Harry Armstrong, in whose card in dex more than 2,000 chorus girls are listed, was pessimistic yesterday. "Go back to the stage? Well, I guess not," he said. "They are doing too well as it is."

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WOMEN PROTEST CIVIL SERVICE BAN

The exclusion of women from competition for four positions in the Department of Agriculture, examination for which is announced by the Civil Service Commission to take place November 26, has brought forth vigorous protest from women in the departments and from the Washington committee of the National Women's Trade Union League.

In a letter to Secretary Houston today, the league calls attention to this discrimination as a violation of President Wilson's declaration of the principle of equal rights for women, and urges that "furthermore, the military demands of the country would seem to suggest that women be appointed to civil service positions rather than men."

The positions in question are four existing vacancies and others that may occur in the positions of pathologist in cereal disease investigations in the Bureau of Plant Industry. The salaries for the first four positions are \$2,500 to \$3,000 a year, and the duties as described in the official announcement are "to conduct and direct research on diseases of cereals in the office of Cereal Disease Investigations." Much feeling is said to exist among the women in the departments that the exclusion of women from the competition is due to the fact that the salaries for these positions are relatively high for Government positions, and the women declare that the appointing officials nearly always reserve the higher salaries for men.

HIGHER EXPRESS RATES APPROVED

Of the several methods suggested by express companies for increasing their revenue, the one which would permit an increase in rates of five cents a hundred pounds, the entire amount to accrue to the companies with no percentage for the railways, is "proper and preferable," according to an opinion handed down by the Interstate Commerce Commission this afternoon.

The possibility of applying this method, through a modification of the express companies' contract with the Railway Administration, will be put up to Director General McAdoo as a result of the opinion, and final decision will rest with the Administration.

The express companies, which have been operating at a loss, submitted three methods of raising an additional \$23,679,000 in revenue. The first was to increase rates 10 cents a hundred pounds, in addition to the 10-cent increase granted by the Interstate Commerce Commission last July. This latter increase has been entirely eaten up by the companies' increased operating expenses and wage raises. The second method was to reduce the compensation of the railways for hauling express matter, and the third, which is favored by the commission, was to increase the rates one-half of the first amount suggested, with no percentage for the railways.

HEROIC JUDGE HONORED

"Died for their country, in the performance of their duty."

This is the decree signed by King Albert, conferring posthumous honors on two of Belgium's civilian heroes. They were judges on duty at La Panne. The Belgian legation announced that cables reported their death when a German shell struck the building in which the courts were housed.

K. C. B.'s TOWN TOPICS

ALL MY life... I'VE BEEN forgotten... AND COULDN'T remember... AND I saw an ad... ABOUT A memory course... AND A set of books... THAT IF you'd read them... YOU COULD remember names... AND TELEPHONE numbers... AND LISTS of groceries... OH ANY old thing... AND I sent five dollars... AND GOT the books... AND BEGAN to study... AND THE WAY you do it... TO REMEMBER things... IS TO MAKE little pictures... IN your mind... AND TIE them up... WITH THE names of the man... OR WHATEVER it is... THAT YOU want to remember... AND JUST supposing... IT WAS Colonel House... AND FRESHENED Wilson... HAD JUST introduced you... YOU'D THINK of a house... WITH THE Colonel's face... LOOKING OUT of the window... AND YOU'D never forget... AND IT works all right... EXCEPT ONCE in a while... WHEN YOU meet a man... LIKE WILLIAM Small... AND INTRODUCE him... AS WILLIAM Little... AND I did that... AND HE on a committee... WITH A lot of neighbors... AND THERE'S a Mr. Coney... AND I made a mind picture... OF AN amusement park... AND THE next time I met him... I COULD see the picture... OF THE amusement park... AND I was so pleased... I RUSHED right up... AND CALLED him Mr. Lema... AND THERE'S a Mrs. Palma... AND WHEN I met her... I THOUGHT of Palma... AND MADE a picture of a man... ALL DOUBLED up... WITH PAINS in his stomach... AND AT the next meeting... I HAD to introduce her... TO A new member... AND I called Mrs. Crampa... AND I was so embarrassed... I GOT all mixed up... AND THERE was another lady... BY THE name of Mrs. Ash... AND I called her Mrs. Cann... AND ALTOGETHER... IT WAS a very bad night... FOR MY memory course... BUT IT'S all right... AND I'M getting along... AND I remember everything... EXCEPT THAT once in a while... I GET mixed up on the picture... AND SEE a Mr. Bird... INSTEAD of a Mr. Swann... OR SOMETHING like that... I THANK YOU.

BRAH WON OVER, SAY SUFFRAGISTS

Equal suffragists are hopeful of forcing another test of strength in the Senate on the suffrage amendment after the elections.

They also are extremely hopeful that their proposed amendment will be submitted. It is reported that Senator Borah of Idaho, if re-elected, will vote for suffrage. Leaders of the National Woman's party are counting on his vote, although he has not indicated publicly what course he will take.

Expecting to gain this vote and believing that the election results will drive one or more votes in their direction, the suffragists are convinced the day is near at hand when their amendment will go to the States for ratification.

The parliamentary situation in the Senate is such that the suffrage advocates in that body can easily force another test. Though the submission of the proposed amendment was defeated a short time ago, a motion was carried for reconsideration. This leaves the proposed amendment on the calendar, where it can be taken up by a majority vote.

YALE HOSPITAL UNIT MAKES FINE RECORD

NEW YORK, Oct. 26.—The noteworthy service rendered during the St. Mihiel offensive by the Yale mobile hospital unit, which was organized at Yale medical school last year, and went to the front as Mobile Hospital No. 29, the American Expeditionary Force, is described in a letter received from an officer of the unit by Anson Phelps Stokes.

The unit exceeded the 144 operations which the French estimated was the maximum which it was possible for them to perform, and in the first day of the drive the number of operations reached 170.

The work accomplished in the first day included not only caring for 201 hospital cases, but feeding more than 400 persons on the hilltop where the unit was stationed. The letter, written September 26, describes the splendid work made possible by the enlargement of the organization on one night in the St. Mihiel drive. As an illustration of the usefulness of the unit by reason of its close proximity to the front, the secretary states that on the night which he spent there a French airplane delivered to the physicians an observer ten minutes after he was wounded in an air battle with a boche machine, the pilot himself having been untouched.

Another letter, received by Mr. Stokes from a Y. M. C. A. secretary, states that 240 wounded men were treated at the Yale Mobile Hospital unit on one night in the St. Mihiel drive. As an illustration of the usefulness of the unit by reason of its close proximity to the front, the secretary states that on the night which he spent there a French airplane delivered to the physicians an observer ten minutes after he was wounded in an air battle with a boche machine, the pilot himself having been untouched.

FROM FORUM TO CAMP AND HOME TO WAR IN DAY



MRS. JOHN JACOB ROGERS. Whom war transformed into a nurse in one day.

Another overnight war transformation—a Congressman and his wife become a soldier and a nurse! Congressman John Jacob Rogers of Massachusetts yesterday left Washington for Camp Zachary Taylor, and—present! the lawmaker becomes an artilleryman. Mrs. Rogers heeded the call for nurses, and is toiling wholeheartedly among the wounded American heroes at Walter Reed Hospital.

After hearing the questions of the war fought over on the floor of the House, Mr. Rogers decided that he would like to get into the fray. Accordingly, he sent in a request to his draft board at Lowell, Mass., his home city, that he be called for duty. The result was his order to report at the Louisville, Ky., army camp. Mr. Rogers packed away all his Congressional business and left at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Rogers said today: "I will continue my work at Walter Reed Hospital while my husband is at camp, and later, while he is overseas, for, of course, I am not permitted to go to France as a nurse when my husband is there."

Mr. Rogers has had military experience to some extent, as he for two or three years was in the Massachusetts militia. He is thirty-seven years old. Mrs. Rogers announced today that her husband would not, for the present, at least, resign his office.

W. S. S. AS XMAS GIFTS

With Christmas just two months away, the District War Savings Committee, in line with the suggestion that only useful gifts be given, is urging that War Savings and Thrift Stamps be the medium for Yuletide remembrances this year. Such a course will not only mean ready compliance with the general thrift campaign, but will also help provide the Government with funds for the prosecution of the war.

While the War Savings plan was not introduced until December of last year, Christmas tokens in many instances took this form, particularly as a substitute for the usual money gifts from employer to employe. The custom thus introduced is expected to prove increasingly popular this year.

FOE LOOTS BRUGES

The retreating Germans stripped Bruges and sections of the Belgian coast of all valuable materials before they evacuated, according to cables reaching the Belgium legation.

LIEUT. GODMAN HONORED.

Camp Knox, Stithon, Ky., which is used for aviation purposes, has been renamed Godman Field by Gen. William L. Kenly, director of military aeronautics. The renaming of the field was in honor of Lieut. Louis H. Godman, of the air service, who was killed in an airplane accident on September 25, 1918, at Camp Jackson, S. C.

HAS THE KIDDIE A SEVERE COLD?

Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey is pleasant to take and works like magic. It's a happy combination of cough relieving medicines that brings quick relief where other remedies fail. Effective for children and grownups. Helps to loosen the phlegm and to ease breathing. It soothes, promotes healing and, while Nature is killing the infectious germs, starts the sufferer toward speedy recovery. Price as low as 25c. Really good cough and cold remedy can be sold for 30c, 60c and \$1.20.

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