

# SLAYS MAN HE FOUND IN HOME

Charles F. Walker, of Hagerstown, Probably Will Plead "Unwritten Law."

HAGERSTOWN, Md., Jan. 18.—The "unwritten law" will probably be the defense of Charles F. Walker, a young insurance agent, of Hagerstown, who Friday night shot and killed Harry L. Taylor, thirty-eight years old, it was said here today.

The "eternal triangle" is alleged to have led to the shooting, which took place when Walker, returning from purchasing several articles at a local drug store, was confronted by Taylor at the rear door of his home.

Five Shots Fired. A struggle between the two men immediately followed, with the result that Walker fired five shots from a .25-caliber revolver which he carried. One of the bullets, passing through Taylor's head, was fatal. Two of the other shots lodged in other portions of his body.

In a statement to State's Attorney Wolfinger, Walker said he did not draw his revolver until he had been attacked by Taylor, who made threats. Walker was thrown against a porch post by Taylor during the scuffle, when he fired four more times at his assailant.

Mrs. Walker, who saw the encounter, was convinced that one or the other would be killed. She said Taylor had often told her that he carried a gun, and that he would kill her husband if he ever molested him.

Found Letters To Wife. Walker told a story of his married life since his wife and Taylor became acquainted, which was at an apartment house on East avenue. He said Taylor occupied a room adjoining the Walker suite, and had become chummy with both Walker and his wife, sending them flowers on Sundays and showing other little courtesies.

Walker continued that he knew nothing of Taylor's friendship with his wife until he came into possession of some letters written to his wife by Taylor. This was some months after their first acquaintance.

Walker then consulted a lawyer, but subsequently, according to his story, asked his wife to give up Taylor, which she promised to do. She is even said to have written a letter to her husband, telling Taylor she "did not want to see him again."

Avoided Walker. Walker is said to have known of Taylor's threats and avoided him always, even crossing the street at times to keep from meeting him. Walker explained that last night he left home early to go to a store to make some purchases, and, returning in about an hour, he found the door locked. He then went to the home of Robert Warner, a neighbor, and asked if his wife was there. Not finding her there, he returned to his house, when he met Taylor making a hurried exit. After the shooting, Walker asked a neighbor to telephone the police and tell them he "was coming to give himself up." Patrolman Divine happened to be in the vicinity and took him to police headquarters. He was removed to jail after being questioned by State's Attorney Wolfinger.

Jury Summoned. Justice Bitner, acting coroner, called for an investigation and Sheriff Duffy summoned the following jury of inquest: E. W. Babcock, foreman; M. L. K. Trumppower, Mark Mellor, W. G. Piel, F. P. Davis, John Smenley, T. M. Kaylor, George Riggelman, W. G. Bragunier, Hugh Frush, Harry L. Yingling, and K. M. Martin. The jury viewed the body this morning and adjourned to meet Monday evening.

Mrs. Walker an attractive young brunette, is the daughter of a Carlisle (Pa.) business man. The body of Taylor will be sent to Charlottesville, W. Va., his former home.

BRITISH ENVOY IN BERLIN. BERLIN, Jan. 18.—Lord Kilmarnock, the new British diplomatic representative, has presented his credentials to President Ebert.

# EX-KAISER'S DOUBLE PLANNED TO BE TRIED AS HIM

BERLIN, Jan. 18.—Ferdinand Bonn, the ex-Kaiser's double, author of the famous "Kaiser Film," said yesterday when danger of the former Kaiser's extradition seemed acute he (Bonn) planned to allow himself to be taken to London disguised as the former emperor.

The plan, Bonn asserted, would not have been difficult to carry out.

# SEE ROOM IN D. C. FOR MORE DOCTORS

George Washington University Disputes Figures Showing Capital Overcrowded.

Has Washington too many doctors? For years the District of Columbia has suffered from the obloquy among medical men throughout the United States of a reputed inordinate ratio of physicians to population.

When a young medical student has talked of opening a practice in Washington, he has been tipped off by his elders that "pickings" are mighty poor in the National Capital and that the field is overcrowded.

These wise elders have referred the young student to the American Medical Directory and pointed in glee to the statistics for 1918, which show for that year a total of 1,237 physicians for a population of 358,679, a ratio of one doctor of every 289 persons.

Ratio of Doctors. From year to year the published statistics have shown the ratio of doctors to population as far higher in Washington than in other cities. And people have begun to believe that Washington is a fine place for sick people but no place for doctors out trying to make a living.

But now comes George Washington University along to say that it's all wrong; that the "dope" misrepresents conditions here. In a special bulletin dealing with medical education in Washington, the George Washington University Medical School points out that the accepted statistics are misleading and that the ratio of doctors to population is only about one to 529, or possibly one to 666.

"The high ratio reputed to Washington is obtained," says the bulletin, "in two ways: First, by listing a grossly high number as practicing physicians in the District; and second, by comparing the District with States.

Survey of Facts. "A careful survey of all facts leads to the definite conclusion that in the District many more doctors of medicine are carried on registers and in directories than are engaged in practice.

"The American Medical Directory (1918) gives the number of physicians as 1,237, the population of the District as 358,679; a ratio of 1 to 289.

"The Health Office of the District gives 2,072 as the total number of licenses to practice in the District. The statistician of the Health Office says that 2,072 covers all entitled to practice to whom licenses have been issued since 1896, twenty-three years ago; that the office has no knowledge of how many have left the District, are not practicing, and only of such deaths as have been reported, but that it now has only about 600 names on its active mailing list.

"The American Directory's number is not that of actual practitioners, as it includes all medical officers of the army, the navy, and the Public Health Service on the active list stationed in the city and all retired officers of these services living in the District. Practically all of these are non-practicing. In addition, the directory gives the names of all graduates in medicine working in the civil services, such as the Pension Office."

MRS. ROCKEFELLER DEAD. BRUNSWICK, Ga., Jan. 18.—Mrs. William Rockefeller died at her home on Jekyll Island early yesterday. Mrs. Rockefeller was the wife of the late William Rockefeller, a brother of John D.

# SELLS DOWN TO FREE SPEECH

Congressman Huddleston Asserts Big Financiers Back Sedition Laws.

A nation-wide propaganda backed by big financial interests centering in New York city is responsible for the effort to put drastic sedition legislation through Congress, Congressman George Huddleston (Dem.) of Alabama, declared in a fiery speech in the House yesterday.

A careful study of the bill reported out by the House Judiciary Committee as a substitute for the Sterling act passed in the Senate, Mr. Huddleston discloses that the real intent is to strike at the right of freedom of speech.

Existing laws are entirely adequate, he added, to deal with persons who attempt to bring about insurrection or rebellion. The claim that additional legislation is needed, he charged, is nothing more than an excuse to enable nefarious practices at the expense of the humbler and less influential citizens.

Nation-wide Propaganda. "For months," said Mr. Huddleston, "a nation-wide propaganda for the passage of drastic laws aimed at the freedom of speech has been carried by big financial interests centering in New York city. It has been supported by ample funds. Cloaked as 'Americanization,' it has met with success."

"The reactionary press took up the cry and it has been echoed by many liberal bodies of business men. Its fruits are now about to be gathered. Congress is about to respond. The House Committee on Judiciary has reported a bill and it is quite obvious that within a few days we will be called upon to vote on this measure."

"The measure is being brought forward upon the plea that it is necessary to the preservation of order. Their pretended purpose is to prevent insurrection and forceful resistance to our laws. The excuse for them is that existing laws are inadequate to prevent insurrection and the use of force. I assert that we already have adequate laws for such purposes and that a careful study of the measure proposed discloses the real intent is to strike at the freedom of speech."

Certain Laws Sufficient. Sections 5324 and 5336 of the Revised Statutes were cited to substantiate his assertion that existing laws are adequate. Section 5324 makes it a crime to incite or engage in "any rebellion or insurrection" against the authority of the United States. Section 5336 makes it a crime to conspire to overthrow the Government of the United States.

"The proposed law, predicted the Alabama member, will be used to 'terrorize the people, to intimidate free opinion and to invade the sacred American rights which have made our country a great republic.' He continued:

"The right to advocate a change, to criticize public officials and measures, to denounce error and wrong is found in our laws and their administration belongs by tradition to every American. Without this right he will consider his liberty a myth and hence his love for country will be undermined."

Reactionary Hysteria. "It is amazing to observe the champions of the reactionary hysteria which is part of the aftermath of the war charging furiously at paper dragons, calling them 'Bolsheviks' and 'radicals.' They beat their tom-toms and shout: from their noise one would think there was a real conflict. For their personal or class advantage they work upon the people's fear."

"But all this is mere stage-play. There is no danger of revolution in America. Not one man out of ten thousand has the desire to do violence to our Government, not to speak of being ready to engage in the attempt. This is not Russia, but a land of free and intelligent people."

Mr. Huddleston said the serious objection to legislation of this character is the opportunity it affords for the intimidation of radical opinion and the restraint of criticism and education for proper change and development. He went on:

"The profiteer, who would escape unscathed; the war contractor, who would stand secure in his mask of patriotism; speculators, big financiers, imperialists, and those who would gain money and place out of the agony of the world—they would strike at their critics and those who impeach their methods and their system."

"It is for the poor and humble that I fear for the ignorant, those who have cause for discontent, for they will be bullied and humiliated in their efforts for redress of their wrongs."

The proposed law, it was charged, is aimed at partisan criticism and partisan opposition, at Socialists, radicals, liberals, and what-nots, all equally bad in the eyes of the reactionaries."

But the real radicals in the United States, Mr. Huddleston declared, are those who propose such legislation as this.

COUNT DOOMED TO DIE FOR KILLING PREMIER. MUNICH, Jan. 18.—Count Arco-Valley, who assassinated Kurt Eisner, the Bavarian premier, was sentenced to death at the conclusion of his trial here.

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ago. I am no more a Divine Being; I am no more the High Priest of the German's after Goethe—no more the great heathen No. 2—a Helene of jovial life and portly person, laughing cheerfully down on dismal Nazarenes; only a poor, death-sick Jew."

Hegel, the German philosopher, greatly influenced Heine and other thinkers and writers in the last century. Once Heine and Hegel were looking at the stars through an open window. Heine thus describes it:

"I being a young man of twenty-two, and having just eaten well and drunk my coffee, spoke with enthusiasm of the stars, called them the abodes of the blest. But the master, muttered to himself, 'The Stars! ha, ha! The stars are only a brilliant eruption on the firmament!' 'What?' cried I. 'Then there is no blissful spot above, where Virtue is rewarded after death?' But he, glaring at me with his pale eyes, remarked, sneeringly, 'So you want a bonus because you have supported your sick mother and refrained from poisoning your brother.'"

Get a good history of Heine. You will see him at the end of life, a tubercular devouring his spinal cord, paralysis creeping slowly over him, one eye gone, but the indomitable will alive, lifting with thumb and forefinger the paralyzed eyelid from the good eye, to watch the effect of a witty remark.

You will see Heine at sixteen, embracing his adored red-haired Sefchen, a strange wild creature, daughter of the public executioner. A superstitious nurse had taken him to the girl's mother, "Die Goehin," supposed to be a witch, and the executioner's wife. Later he went regularly to see the beautiful red-haired girl of whom all the neighbors lived in dread. She showed him her grandfather's sword that had been used in a hundred executions, then put away in a grave because "A sword which has drunk blood five score times acquires a horrible personality, and can only be appeased by the oblivion of the grave."

Sefchen, whose male relations had all been public executioners, taught him strange folk songs, one that made him creep, foretelling his own burial: "Flow, flow, water flow; wash the linen white as snow." "Be ready soon," she sang aloud; "I wish for thee thy dying shroud!"

"Blade, blade, broad and bright. Hew the oaken plank aright. Spade, spade, sharp and strong. Dig the grave, deep and long."

It was creepy, but the young poet liked it; it stirred his imagination. He wrote poetry for the young lady, and she, only sixteen, opened a vein in her arm and made neat copies of the poems in her own blood.

She must have been an interesting young person with "her skin changing white; her great, deep, dark eyes looking as if they had just pronounced a riddle and were waiting quietly for an answer; while the mouth, with its strongly curved bow and oblong teeth, white as ivory, seemed to say: 'You are stupid and never will be able to guess it.'"

Thus Heine describes her, with: "Her hair perfectly blood-red, tied in long locks under her chin, as though blood were welling forth from her throat in red streams."

No wonder Heine wrote poetry after associating with her. Too late we don't know more about her. Let's hope that in spite of prejudice against her mother, the sorceress, and her father, the public executioner, she married an able, steady man. Such a combination should have had remarkable children.

The books that most affected and developed Heine's boyish imaginations were "Don Quixote," Sterne's "Sentimental Journey," and "Gulliver's Travels." Those three books, the great fairy stories of literature, helped develop one of the most beautiful imaginations that ever lived upon the earth, and one of the greatest warriors in the army of freedom.

That fact ought to interest the so-called "Educators" who tell fathers and mothers not to let their children read fairy tales.

You may be sure, however, that Red-Haired Sefchen did more for Heine's imagination than Cervantes, Sterne, or Swift.

As you read the history of this man, keep in mind, as you always should, the mother who created him. She sold her jewelry, all she had, to keep her son at the university. She had sent her youth reading books in Latin to her father and according to her son, "had a horror of imagination, despised romantic legends and superstitious folk lore." But she gave her boy a chance to develop what was in him.

Read Heine's "Reisebilder." Read "Bimini" and read "The Weavers."

Read his "Fragen," "questions." By the sea, the dreary nocturnal sea, Standeth a stripling. His breast full of sorrow, his head full of doubt, And with watery lips he asks of the waters: "Oh, solve me the Riddle of Life. That harrowing world-old riddle, Where on many heads have pondered and brooded; Heads in caps hooded-cribbled, Heads in turbans, and heads in black beavers, Heads periwigged, and a thousand others,

words more than many have said in a volume: "Dying, indeed, is something to shudder at, but not death; if, indeed, death exists. Death is, perhaps, the last superstition."

The unhappy poet's last period was made bearable, as often happens to sick, worn-out men, by the kindness and devotion of woman-kind.

His good Mathilde, whom he married later than he should have done, was a faithful nurse, cook, waitress, and errand boy to the last. She adored him, and would do anything for him willingly except listen to his poetry. She could not stand that, saw no sense in it. She never really knew that he was a poet.

Heine depended upon her absolutely. One of his worst moments came when she failed to return and he feared she might have gone off with some handsomer, not paralyzed rival. He solved the problem typically.

"In my painful doubt, I sent to her chamber to see whether 'COCOTTE' the parrot was still there. That set me at ease again, and I began to breathe more freely. Without 'Cocotte' the dear woman would never have fled from me."

The other angel at the end of the poet's life was a young woman, Camille Selden, whom Heine called "The Fly." For her "Last Days of Heine," the world owes her gratitude. At the hour when Heine died, or shortly afterward, Madame Selden wrote: "I awoke in a singular manner. Toward 8 o'clock I heard a noise in my room, a kind of fluttering like that produced by moths. I opened my eyes, but closed them again, for a black form was writing like a gigantic insect in the dawn and sought some way of escape."

Had Heine been alive he would have described and mocked that hallucination as no one else could. His friend, Camille Selden, read to him; unlike the good Mathilde,

she had no objection to poetry, and Mathilde had sense enough not to be jealous of Camille.

This Camille Selden lived late into the last century. Little is known of her except that her husband locked her up in an asylum to get rid of her when she was nineteen. She read an advertisement that Heine needed some one to read to him. She did the work voluntarily, because of her admiration for the poet, and the world owes her gratitude for that. She probably felt safe with the poor, paralyzed dreamer, who at least would not put her in an asylum.

She was only twenty when Heine knew her. At any public library, any well-equipped book-store, you will find all that Heine has written. Read "The White Elephant," pure wit; many have borrowed from it. Read "The Field of Hastings," romance—emotional young women will like it. Read "Ferdusi," a story of a poet to whom death and reward came together.

Read "The Apollo God," describing the poet of the imagination and the poet of reality.

Two women helped Heine to endure the painful transition from his "Mattress Grave" to the plot in the Montmartre Cemetery in Paris, where you may read on a stone two words: "Heinrich Heine."

His name was Heinrich, they baptized him Harry, and the French tombstone mechanic made it Henri. But Heinrich, Harry, or Henri, with Heine added, means great genius in thought, imagination, and mental courage.

FIRE IN OIL FIELDS. WICHITA FALLS, Tex., Jan. 18.—Fire in the Burke Burnett pools here yesterday spread to six oil wells, flowed down a creek bed, and spread flames over a lake of several acres. Damage, not yet tabulated, will run into hundreds of thousands of dollars, it was estimated.

TO CONFER DEGREES. Washington Centennial Lodge No. 14 will hold a special meeting next Wednesday night. The meeting will begin at 6 o'clock. Degrees will be conferred at this meeting.

AMERICA CUP RACE TO BEGIN ON JULY 18

Lipton Announces N. Y. Club Accepts Challenge—Contests At Sandy Hook.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—Sir Thomas Lipton has received a private message from a member of the New York Yacht Club, stating that the club has accepted Lipton's challenge for a race for the America's Cup.

The first race will be sailed July 18, over the Sandy Hook Course, the message said. According to Lipton, the New York club agreed to practically all his requests with regard to the race. Lipton particularly preferred the Sandy Hook rather than the Newport course.

BOLSHEVIK UPRISINGS IN SIBERIA REPORTED

LONDON, Jan. 18.—Extensive uprising against the anti-Bolshevik authorities in Siberia were claimed in a Bolshevik wireless communication from Moscow today.

"Between Vladivostok and Ussuriysk there are uprisings everywhere," the communique said. "Revolutions are expected any minute in Vladivostok, Khabarovsk, Nikolayevsk and Blagovietchensk. The authorities are in flight."

Khabarovsk, Nikolayevsk and Blagovietchensk are important towns along the Amur river. Blagovietchensk is capital of the Siberian province of Amur.

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