

SERVANT SAVED FROM ELECTRIC CHAIR WHEN MAN CONFESSES TO MURDER OF N. Y. WOMAN

SLEUTHS TRAIL CRIMINAL TO A MICHIGAN CITY

Dastardly Deed Was Committed on Sept. 7, 1915, by Aid of Servants.

APPREHENSION OF MAN FOLLOWS LONG SEARCH Stranger Recognizes Murderer in Barber Shop and Notifies Officers.

Iron Wood, Mich., Sept. 12.—Arthur Waltene, alias John Lind, a barber, was arrested here today for the murder of Mrs. Elizabeth Nichols, a New York widow who was strangled to death in her home, and money and jewelry to the value of \$28,000 stolen. A servant in the house was sentenced to be electrocuted for the crime. Waltene is said by the police to have confessed.

Mrs. Nichols lived at 4 East 79th street, New York City, on the night of September 7, 1915. According to the confession of Waltene it is said to have been made to the police, and three other men entered the widow's home through the aid of one of her servants, Annie Talus, strangled the woman, and made away with jewelry and money.

The men escaped and police suspicion rested on the servant. Talus finally was arrested and the strong circumstantial evidence offered lead to his conviction and sentence to the electric chair for the murder of Mrs. Nichols. The authorities at New York were notified and officers from the detective department there reached here yesterday. Satisfied of the identity of Waltene, the arrest was made today and the prisoner will be taken to New York tomorrow.

A nation-wide search was begun for Waltene, whose name was revealed during the police investigation following the arrest of Talus. On July 27, of this year, a stranger from Waukegon, Ill., entered the barber shop of Walter Point in this city and recognized an employe therein through a scar on his finger, as the person wanted in New York for the murder of Mrs. Nichols. The authorities at New York were notified and officers from the detective department there reached here yesterday. Satisfied of the identity of Waltene, the arrest was made today and the prisoner will be taken to New York tomorrow.

M'ARTHUR MAY FORM INDEPENDENT BODY

Fargo, N. D., Sept. 12.—A hint that an independent Democratic organization will be launched in North Dakota by reason of state central committee's turn-down of D. H. McArthur, in preparing the platform at the recent Bismarck meeting came to the surface tonight in the announcement of the telegram received by D. H. McArthur, from David Gorman, chairman of Grand Forks county central committee of the Democratic party.

"Democrats of Grand Forks county favor you as their candidate for governor. They are with you still and resent the action of the central committee in misrepresenting them at Bismarck. If the committee men will not support the ticket and not honorable enough to resign, the Democrats here stand ready to form an independent organization."

Gorman's telegram opens controversy in Grand Forks county that add to the intensity of situation. For each of three members of state committee from Grand Forks, J. Nelson Kelly, Thomas Griffith, and George Lashelleat were supporters of the McLean element at the state meeting, and were instrumental in a measure in pulling over the platform that was proved so objectionable to Mr. McArthur, and which he insists was "put over" for the sole purpose of appealing to the nonpartisan league vote, in behalf of John Burke, candidate for United States senator.

Mr. McArthur objects to the Democratic platform as "Socialistic." "It is not in accord with Jeffersonian principles of government," said Mr. McArthur. "It is that the government which governs least, governs best."

MANY SILOS SOLD. Jamestown, N. D., Sept. 12.—Two hundred and forty-four silos, averaging 120 tons each, all sold in the state of North Dakota this season by one firm, indicates the adoption of the diversification method of farming.

Fairbanks Taken Ill; Recovers

Oklahoma City, Okla., Sept. 12.—Charles W. Fairbanks, vice presidential candidate, suffered an attack of indigestion while addressing an audience at the auditorium and for a time it was thought he had been seized with a serious ailment. After his recovery in an anteroom, Mr. Fairbanks resumed.

PRES. WILSON MEETS MEXICAN MEMBERS OF COMMISSION

Executive Deals Personally With Carranza Representatives for First Time.

EXPRESSES SYMPATHY FOR DE FACTO GOVT

New London, Sept. 12.—President Wilson lent his personal touch today to aid the efforts of the American-Mexican joint commission in seeking a permanent foundation of sympathy and understanding upon which may rest the future relations of the United States and Mexico. Putting aside for one hour, his own cares and vigil at the bedside of his sister, who is dying here, Mr. Wilson exchanged calls with General Carranza's representatives. It was the first time during his administration that the executive had dealt personally with a representative of the Mexican de facto government.

For the first time, also, representatives of General Carranza received directly from the man, in whose hands, perhaps, lies the fate of their country, his statement of sympathy with the aims of the revolution which has torn Mexico.

The regeneration of the stricken nation must come from within, Mr. Wilson said, and in answer for his colleagues and himself, Luis Cabrera, Carranza's minister of finance and chairman of the Mexican delegation asserted that this country was struggling toward the light of free and democratic government.

Within fifteen minutes after the Mexican commissioners had returned to the hotel where the conferences are taking place, the president's barge conveyed the executive to the Mayflower on a return visit.

GOV. MANNING RENOMINATED IN S. C. PRIMARIES

Columbia, S. C., Sept. 12.—Nearly complete returns late tonight from South Carolina's "run-off" Democratic primary indicated that Governor Richard I. Manning was renominated over former Governor Cole L. Blease, by a majority estimated at between 3,000 and 7,000 votes.

Former Captain of Company A Now With Regulars in Mexico Makes Contribution to Fund

W. P. Moffit, former captain of Co. A, now captain of the Seventh Cavalry and in Mexico, writes, contributing \$10 to the ambulance fund, which shows that the men at the front appreciate the need of a fast motor hospital vehicle.

The following contributions have recently been added to the fund: City of Washburn \$35.00, City of Wilton \$35.00, First National Bank, Cando \$10.00, Cando National Bank, Cando \$5.00, Co. A, Dance \$6.75, Ralph Fisher, City \$2.25, Town of Steele \$10.00.

Washburn, N. D., Sept. 3, 1916. Mr. E. H. Dummer, Bismarck, N. D. Dear Sir: Yours of the 5th received and, according to your request, I have circulated the petition and am herewith returning the check enclosed. Yours very truly, JOHN SATTERLUND. We, the undersigned, hereby subscribe the sum set opposite our names, for the Motor Ambulance fund for the boys of the First North Dakota regiment at the border: The Washburn contributors are: John Satterlund \$5.00, Geo. P. Gibson 1.00, Hugh H. McCulloch 1.00, First National Bank 5.00, Holborn Merc. Co. 5.00.

CLEAN SWEEP FOR REPUBLICANS IN MAINE ELECTION

Governor-Elect Milliken Wins Over Gov. Curtis by Big Plurality.

MAINE GUARDSMEN CAST 470 VOTES

Republicans Will Send a Solid Delegation to Congress.

Portland, Me., Sept. 12.—The thoroughness of the Republican victory at the polls yesterday was emphasized as the returns from isolated towns and plantations came in today. Revised figures place the plurality of Governor-elect Carl E. Milliken, Republican, over Governor Oakley C. Curtis, at 13,355.

Returns from the border show the members of the Second Maine Infantry cast a total vote of 470, of which Milliken received 300. Pluralities for the Republicans, who will send a solid delegation to congress, approximately were unchanged from the figures of last night.

The Republicans, who have had a majority in the state senate, will control both houses. The revised vote for governor, United States senators and congressmen follows:

Governor—Milliken, Republican, 79,902; Curtis, Democrat, 66,547. United States Senators—Hale, Republican, 78,044; Fernald, Republican, 79,286; Johnson, Democrat, 68,975; Sills, Democrat, 66,832. Congressmen—Goodall, Republican, 19,732; Stephens, Democrat, 16,731; White, Republican, 19,157; McCuddy, Democrat, 18,770; Peters, Republican, 21,820; Calker, Democrat, 18,277; Herse, Republican, 15,358; Pierce, Democrat, 11,913.

HILL PROPERTY IN MINN. APPROXIMATES \$40,000

St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 12.—A preliminary inventory of the estate of late James J. Hill, the railroad tycoon, obtained by the probate here, shows Minnesota holdings there approximately \$40,000,000, it was flux today, on which about \$1,250,000 have heretofore been paid to the trade under the law is a question at what on the estate of Mr. Hill.

GRABS LIVE WIRE; IS NEARLY KILLED

Dickinson, N. D., Sept. 12.—Gracie C. a live wire while working on a pole. R. C. Horn, this city, was nearly electrocuted. Twenty-three hundred volts of current coursed through his body, burning deep holes in his arm and leg. Horn, unconscious at the top of the pole, was saved from falling by the sagging consciousness in a few minutes, while crowds looked on from the street level, Horn was able to slide down the pole again.

There is not an unemployed man in Merced. The stores are short of employes and soldiers often work behind counters at night. No matter how poor a workman he is in demand. The writer was shaved yesterday by a barber who said it was his second week at the trade. He charged 15 cents for his surgical operation and on Sunday he gets 25 cents from each victim. Hair-cuts cost 35 cents. Coney Island is not greasier for dimes than Merced and the scale of prices would cause boycott in North Dakota. A private gets 50 cents a day from the government, and if he wants a few sandwiches and a glass of soda he can spend it in 15 minutes on the main street of Merced. A hamburger sandwich with a piece of meat the size of a silver dollar costs 10 cents. One winter in a roll is 10 cents, and the rolls are a lilliputian variety, which the Bismarck men never saw before they came to the border. Almost every article for which the soldiers pay a quarter or a half-dollar can be bought in a 10-cent store at home.

It is not easy for a North Dakota guard to save money on a salary of \$15 a month.

SPORTSMEN AGREE NOT TO HUNT DUCKS ON ZAHB LAKE UNTIL SEPT. 25

Williston, N. D., Sept. 12.—Because ducks are much smaller than usual at the opening of the hunting season, sportsmen in this district have agreed to refrain from hunting in the Zahb lake region till Sept. 25. The late spring delayed the hatching season, and as a result the young birds, in many instances, are still unable to fly.

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N. D. GUARDSMEN GET PAY CHECKS; GREAT REJOICING

Pay Bugle Blows Twice in One Day for Members of First Regiment.

EVERYBODY WORKING AT CAMP MERCEDES

By EWING LEWIS. Merced, Texas, Sept. 12.—The North Dakota regiment's luck has been the envy of all brigades along this part of the border since their States department of agriculture, tons of straw grown near Fargo manufactured into 14, 7 tons of a sum tow, or 50.3 per cent of the final straw, which yield is believed to be somewhat higher than that tained in ordinary practice.

While the problem in simple arithmetic with which this article is set probably would not work of satisfaction in actual practice, adoption would offer an interest and a very valuable experiment, the writer would suggest to following results of running threshed through the tow mill, contrasting yield of seed obtained in this with that recovered in the ordinary threshing process, in which less than 8 per cent of the seed lost. An operator advises the commercial club that at least one bushel of seed to the ton is counted in handling threshed straw through tow mill, and this after the straw has been baled and transported from 800 miles. It is estimated the bushel of seed to the ton comes close to paying the entire cost of milling of flax straw. It is probable that in addition to getting an bushel of seed to the acre by the tow mill as a thrasher for a much higher grade of seed, the straw which has not been threshed, the writer says if he thought the rainy weather would permit, he would order a lot of gondolas. Harlingen fared worse than Merced in the last storm, hundreds of the soldiers spending the night in the school house and a department store. Military police now halt every soldier taking a train and none can board without a pass showing he has official permission to leave camp. In most of the camps along the border privates on an outing must have a non-commissioned officer with them. Everybody Working.

SON HELD FOR DEATH OF FATHER

Cogswell, Sept. 12.—Ray Bauch is in jail here awaiting preliminary hearing for the murder of his father, William Bauch, well-known Foran veterinarian.

The young man voluntarily surrendered to the sheriff. Had Been Drinking. At a coroner's inquest the youth claimed he shot in self defense. He testified the father came to the Van Ornum home in Foran where mother and son were stopping.

The father had been drinking heavily and made threats to kill his wife. The son, who was armed with a revolver, succeeded in getting the gun. Dies Almost Instantly. In the scuffle, the gun was exploded, the bullet penetrating the back of the elder Bauch and killing him almost instantly.

GLANDERS EPIDEMIC IN MORTON COUNTY

Mandan, N. D., Sept. 12.—Two hundred horses in the Blue Grass and St. Vincent districts, this county, have been placed in quarantine for glanders, and 28 animals already have been killed by federal and state veterinarians. The outbreak of glanders is one of the most serious experienced in this district for many years. One human, it is believed, also was killed by the disease, Anton Grass being the victim. He was ill 14 days, and veterinarians who have since studied the symptoms, believe he was taken with the horse disease. The last previous glanders outbreak in this section was in 1910.

Striking Carmen in N. Y. Lay Plans to Extend Tie-Up; Mayor Mitchell Intervenes

New York, Sept. 12.—After Mayor Mitchell and the Public Service commission had taken steps today to terminate the transit strike in this city by urging that it be declared off, and that both sides arbitrate their differences, plans to continue and extend the strike were discussed today at a meeting of the United Labor conference bodies of Greater New York. After the conference, Hugh Frayne, of the American Federation of Labor, issued a statement as follows: "The consensus of opinion among the various organizations represented by

be met with the sort of force they are applying to the men." Representatives of the men stated tonight they would not comment on the plans, or the request to have the differences arbitrated. Both sides will be permitted tomorrow to present their views. An investigation, started by the coroner after an accident in the Bronx this afternoon, in which two persons were killed and many injured, when a car got beyond the control of an inexperienced motorman and crashed into an automobile, revealed that the strikebreaker had been employed previously as truckman.

CAMPBELL HOME TERRORIZED BY ORGANIZED GANG

Kidder County Farmer Loses Blooded Racers Through Poisoning.

SHOT CRASHES THROUGH WINDOW, MISSING WIFE Expected to Race One Trotter at Morton County Fair This Fall.

William Campbell, a Kidder County farmer, charges that a gang has terrorized his farmstead for the last two weeks, shooting four horses, poisoning five others and shooting into his home. Three of the animals shot were blooded racers that Mr. Campbell very highly prized. One, Mendel Chief, made a record of 2:30 while only a colt. He expected to race him this fall at the Morton County Fair. Another, Sorrel Prince, was a trotter with the same record when he was a colt. Clay had a record of better than 2:30. The colt was a son of Menlo Star, by Greenback, the first 2:12 trotter in Michigan.

Shot Into House. A week ago someone shot into the house, breaking a window pane. The bullet whizzed over the bed in which Mrs. Campbell was sleeping.

Mr. Campbell charges the crime to an organized gang. Nothing was done with the horses. Two of them were led out of the barn at night and shot and the other two were killed in the pasture.

Mr. Campbell's horses are of the best racing blood. He has some fifty head and all of them trace back to Cassius M. Clay, the great trotting-bred stallion. Every horse that has made 2:10 or better has his blood. He bred Perry, 2:16, winner in 1898 of the \$25,000 New York purse and who sold for \$25,000. He came to his Kidder County farm in 1898.

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PERU GRAIN CROP BACKWARD, SAYS REPORT

Grand Forks, N. D., Sept. 12.—Grain crops in Peru are about the same as those in the United States, with weather conditions unsatisfactory, according to a letter received here by A. G. Schultheis, from his brother, Jesse Schultheis. Cold weather, resulting in delaying growth, has prevailed for some time. The cane is very backward, and that recently planted, is now sprouting satisfactorily, according to the Peru advice. Cotton also is a short crop. Jesse Schultheis is connected with a Peru copper mining concern, and he declares the copper production is very heavy.

LEADS IN GEORGIA ELECTION.

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 12.—Early returns from the state-wide Democratic primary in Georgia today showed Hugh N. Dority, the prosecutor in the Leo Frank case, far ahead of his three opponents in the race for the gubernatorial nomination.

GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATE IS PLEASED WITH MEETING

Fargo, N. D., Sept. 12.—Lynn J. Frazier, Republican nominee for governor, declared himself well pleased at the action of the Republican state central committee, in the adoption of the Non-partisan League's platform. "The committee did the only thing possible under the circumstances," said Mr. Frazier. "The Republican voters of the state had clearly indicated their wishes, and it was up to the committee to carry out that expressed wish in the formulating of the party platform."

COLORADO ELECTION CLOSE.

Denver, Colo., Sept. 12.—While early scattering returns from Colorado's primary election show Samuel D. Nicholson, of Leadville, leading Governor George A. Carlson, in the race for Republican nomination for governor, the vote cast outside of Denver may renominate Carlson.

FRENCH SMASH GERMAN LINES NORTH OF SOMME; CAPTURE TRENCHES ALONG BIG FRONT

Pres. Wilson Will Return to His Home

New London, Conn., Sept. 12.—President Wilson decided tonight to return to his summer home, Shadow Lawn, Long Branch, N. J., tomorrow night. He was advised by physicians attending his sister, Mrs. Annie E. Howe, who is critically ill here, and constantly under the influence of opiates, that she might linger in her present condition for several days. The president, it was announced, plans to return here if there is a definite turn for the worse in Mrs. Howe's condition.

JAPS WILL NOT VIOLATE OPEN DOOR POLICY

Demands on China Have Nothing to Do With Infringement on U. S. Rights.

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Heavy Offensive of Entente Allies Continues Along Macedonia Front.

London, Sept. 12.—Resuming their offensive to the north of the Somme river in France, the French forces have again smashed the German lines, capturing front line and other trenches and taking about 1,500 prisoners. The new attacks, coming after several days of comparative calm in the region, where, for weeks past, violent fighting had been in progress, were made on the front from the town of Combles to the river. So vicious was the thrust of the French that it required only half an hour for them to overcome the resistance of the Germans and make themselves masters of three and three-quarters miles of trenches. Later, east and southeast of Combles, they seized additional trenches along the Bethune-Peronne road, placing a serious impediment in the way of the Germans for the movement of their transports from the north to Peronne, and making the French position north of Peronne seemingly a menacing one.

Heavy Offensive Continues.

All along the Macedonian front the heavy offensive of the Entente allies continue. The Bulgarian trenches for two miles and for a depth of 800 yards are reported by Paris to have been captured by the French, west of the Vardar river, near Majahagh, which lies about four miles south of the town of Givjevl. On the Struma front, the British, aided by the French, have made additional gains east of the river in the Lake Takinos region. The armies of the Teutonic allies are declared to have suffered casualties in the latter engagement.

Have Evacuated Forts?

Unofficial reports are to the effect that the Bulgarians have evacuated the forts at Kavala on the Aegean sea, which they captured in August. While the presence of the Entente allied warships off the town is given as the reason for the withdrawal, it is not probable that the menace of the new drive of the British and French along the Struma front may have been partly responsible for it. Berlin reports further progress for the German and Bulgar forces under command of Field Marshal von Mackensen in the Dobruja region of eastern Roumania.

Attacks by the Russians in east Galicia and on the lower Stokhod river, in Russia, have been repulsed by the Austro-German forces, according to Berlin and Vienna. Petrograd reports that in the Carpathians the Russians have captured several additional strategic positions, but Vienna denies the assertion and declares that all attacks there were repulsed.

The usual bombardments and small skirmishes continue in the Austro-Italian theatre. The Turks and Russians are still at grips in Asiatic Turkey with both sides claiming successes.