



UNION CITY STIRRED TO DEPTHS BY RECENT TRAGEDY

Murderers of Prominent Lawyers Still at Large

MILITIA CALLED OUT

Captain Rankin Will be Avenged, Col. Taylor's Whereabouts are Unknown

ONE MAN ESCAPES THE MOB

Man Named Powell Evades Murders by Leaping Into Bayou and Swimming Across, Returns to the Scene Later and Relates Story.

UNION CITY, Tenn., Oct. 20.—A dispatch from Reelfoot tonight, where a mob of masked men early this morning took Col. R. Z. Taylor, aged 60, and Captain Quentin Rankin, both of Trenton and widely known lawyers, out of their hotels at that place and murdered the latter, fails to report the finding of Col. Taylor's body or any trace of his whereabouts. A man named Powell, who hauls fish from The Log to Hyckman is said to have been forced to accompany the mob which numbered about 80 members. Powell had been staying at the hotel when the riders called every one out and compelled them to line up. Col. Taylor, Captain Rankin and a surveyor whose name is unknown, are said to have been taken away, others being permitted to return to their beds. Powell states, it is said, that after killing Rankin, a vote was taken, regarding the disposition to be made of Taylor. After a dispute, Taylor made a dash and jumped into the Bayou river and started to swim across it. A number of shots were fired at him and in the confusion Powell slipped away and brought back the story of his escape. Searchers found the trees on the edge of the Bayou clipped with bullets and there were deep footprints in the mud along the shore. On the other side of the Bayou there was single footprints. Governor Latterson arrived at Humboldt during the afternoon and held a consultation with the citizens of Trenton who came to meet him. Governor Patterson announced he had offered \$10,000 reward and would visit the scene in person. Judge Joseph E. Jones adjourned the circuit court this afternoon and called a special session at this city

which is in his circuit. He announced that he will have the grand jury empanelled at once and will have court ordered immediately. Governor Patterson will have the militia called out to protect sessions if necessary. One hundred militiamen mobilized at Nashville tonight and left for Reelfoot Lake. Orders calling them out did not state whether they will do guard duty at the court house pending the grand jury investigation or whether they are to go into field service.

TAFTS LAST CAMPAIGN TRIP STARTS TODAY

WILL TOUR INDIANA BRINGING HIS WORK TO CLOSE AT YOUNGSTOWN.

FINAL SPEECH ON NOV. 2

National Committee Will Send Prominent Speakers Into Ohio, New York and Indiana For Final Whirl in These States.

NEW YORK, Oct. 20.—Judge Taft will leave Cincinnati tomorrow night and begin at once his tour of Indiana. On return from New York he will close the campaign with a speech at Youngstown, Ohio, Monday night, November 2. The impression that the Republican national committee has virtually taken charge of the campaign in Ohio is erroneous. The impression doubtless grew out of a statement made today by Chairman Hitchcock that the national committee had arranged to send a number of speakers into the state. The national committee has done this with full understanding with the state committee. So the matter was explained at the national headquarters today. The national committee is especially interested in Ohio because of the many, though disputed reports of disaffection in several sections of that state. The committee insists it has no doubt of the result in the state as a whole. It now proposes it was said, to "Cinch the nail." Taft will appear at all the day meetings which have been scheduled in his itinerary in Indiana and Ohio but will not speak at any of them. The object of this is to satisfy the crowds that are expected to attend and to save Taft's voice for the night meeting's. After the conference late today with State Chairman Woodruff, Mr. Hitchcock said while he never had any doubt about New

York, he is confident than ever that Taft and Sherman electors would have a great plurality in that state and that he is just as confident of the re-election of Governor Hughes. The final whirl of Republican national campaign will occur in Indiana, Ohio and New York. From now until the day of voting every available speaker of national reputation will be heard in the three states which both parties regard as pivotal. The national committee has arranged to throw the following speakers into Ohio: Taft, Postmaster-General Meyer, Secretary Garfield, Secretary Straus, Senator Dolliver, Senator La Follette, Leslie M. Shaw, General O. O. Howard, Representative Foster of Vermont and Representative Longworth of Ohio. The campaign in Indiana also will be conducted with all the vigor the national committee can put into it.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 20.—Russia has been given to understand from Bulgarian sources that Bulgaria although doing everything for the preservation of peace, cannot look with indifference on the military preparations of Turkey and that if mobilization is ordered in Turkey, Bulgaria will be forced to inaugurate military operations herself.

DON'T WANT POLITICS.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—The supreme court of the United States today indicated the disapproval of the efforts to bring that court into politics by denying the motion to advance the hearing in the case of the Nobel State Bank of Oklahoma against Governor Haskell and others, involving the constitutionality of the Oklahoma Bank deposit guarantee law.

WHAT SORT OF DISCIPLINE PREVAILS AT PENITENTIARY?

Sequestered Convict Sends Out Letter Seeking to Perpetuate His Crime

IT REACHES THE ADDRESSEE PROMPTLY

Henry Blunk Endeavors to Allure Little Clara Millard of Seaside Into Further Concert of Crime With Him, on His Release Next July

The Morning Astorian is presenting a case this morning that indicates some very loose methods prevailing at the Oregon State Penitentiary, aside from the foul spirit that actuates the man behind the letters quoted, and which will make many people in this section profoundly regret the mistaken leniency with which Judge Thomas A. McBride disposed of a certain criminal matter at the June term of the Circuit Court for this county, to-wit that of Henry Blunk, the scoundrel who ruined one sister and sought to destroy the moral nature and character of a younger sister, but was felled.

It will be remembered that this man Blunk ran away from Seaside with Clara, the 13-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Millard, the girl going up the road dressed in boy's clothing, supplied her by Blunk, only to be arrested at Portland through the agency of the Women's Aid Society and restored to her family. Blunk was nabbed at the same time and brought back here and subjected to arrest and trial, upon a charge of attempting to lead a minor into vicious ways, and sent to the penitentiary for one year, he entering the state's prison last June. The case was notable at the time for the cold and callous infamy of the man's dealings with both girls, and stirred up a good deal of popular feeling at the time.

Blunk had hardly entered the pen before he secured the services of his cell-mate, one Robert Walze, to write the following letter to the elder

BRYAN AT LOUISVILLE. Candidate Makes Five Speeches to Enormous Gatherings.

LOUISVILLE, Oct. 20.—Passing in review before thousands of people along the line of march followed by a parade of many hundreds of marchers and speaking to more people than the sound of his voice could reach, Col. Bryan tonight made a brief rally south of the Ohio river. The rally in Louisville culminated one of the busiest days of the campaign and the outpouring here equalled any and perhaps surpassed anything in the way of demonstration the candidate has met with since he was notified of his nomination. For the time he left New Albany, Indiana, just across the Ohio river until he spoke his final words of farewell, Bryan was the recipient of a continuous ovation. His favorite topic today was the democratic platform as it relates to labor; guaranty bank deposits and the publicity of campaign contributions and frequently aroused his hearers to a high pitch of enthusiasm.

DEMOCRATS HAVE \$300,000.

NEW YORK, Oct. 20.—The Democratic national committee today gave out its list of contributors of sums for October 17 and 19. Congressman Ridder said that the campaign funds now amount to about \$300,000. Tammany Hall is credited with giving \$10,000. John T. Murphy of Montana gave \$250 and L. C. McLaine of California \$100.

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE.

Los Angeles 8, San Francisco 1. Oakland 7, Portland 2.

HIGHWAYMAN KILLS ST. JOHN'S MAN FOR DIAMOND RING

HASKELL SPEAKS.

DALLAS, Texas, Oct. 20.—Governor Haskell before a large crowd at the Fair Grounds, spoke in praise of Oklahoma and Texas and criticized President Roosevelt, Judge Taft and Senator Beveridge. Once during his speech an enthusiastic spectator called out "What about Hearst?" Governor Haskell replied: "There is some names which it would be wrong to mention where Henry W. Grady once spoke."

AMERICANS LOOSE BALL GAME TO JAPS

THIRD DAY OF FLEET'S VISIT IN EAST BRINGS ADDITIONAL RECREATIONS.

PERFECT ORDER PREVAILS

In Every Instant Where There Was a Possibility of Trouble the Japanese Met Situation With Utmost Courtesy, Avoiding Any Friction.

TOKIO, Oct. 20.—The third day of the American occupation of Japan brought about every description of entertainment for the officers and men of the battleship fleet and visiting business men from the Pacific Coast, from the audience and luncheon with royalty to a baseball game between nine of the fleet and the Keio University. For the present Tokio is the center of attraction, many of the officers and about 600 men are visiting this daily, but Yokohama is filled with bluejackets who are offered every form of entertainment while a large numbers of others are visiting nearby points of interest by means of special trains. Up to the present perfect order prevailed among the sailors. In every case where there has been any possibility of trouble, the Japanese have met the situation with the utmost courtesy avoiding any friction. There is no diminution in the popular enthusiasm with which the Americans are received on the streets and wherever carriages are bringing American officers appear the streets are lined with cheering masses of Japanese. Baseball ended in a victory for the Keio team after 15 innings. The decision of the Japanese umpire was questionable but was good humoredly accepted by the boys of the fleet.

AUSTRIA CONDUCT ANGRERS SERVIANS

General Vukolics Arrested by Austrian Gendarmes and Imprisoned for Seven Hours

BELGRADE, Oct. 20.—General Vukolics, official of Montenegrin government who left Cetinje three days ago for this city with a special message for the Servian government, arrived here at noon today after having been arrested at Agram by Austrian gendarmes and detained in custody for seven hours until a order releasing him was received from the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister. The general says, notwithstanding he had passport and safe conduct given by the Austrian government, he was roughly handled, personally searched and his baggage

H. T. Butterworth Murdered Entering Home

FOLLOWED FROM STORE

Dead Man Was a Prominent Jeweler Well Known in Portland

HEAR FALL BUT NO SHOT

Mrs. Butterworth Hears Her Husband Slam Front Gate and an Instant Later Hears His Body Fall, But no Shot Was Heard.

PORTLAND, Oct. 20.—H. T. Butterworth, a jeweler and prominent business man of St. John, a suburb to the north of this city, was shot through the heart and instantly killed by a highwayman shortly after 9 o'clock tonight. The murder was committed in Butterworth's front yard. The object was to steal a diamond ring valued at about \$350 which Butterworth wore.

Butterworth had just entered his front gate after closing his store a few blocks distant. Mrs. Butterworth and her two little girls heard the gate shut and arose to meet the husband and father at the door. An instant later they heard Butterworth fall, though no shot was heard by them. Mrs. Butterworth opened the door and ran to the side of her prostrate husband to see what the matter was, and discovering that he had been shot she summoned neighbors and these called a physician. The services of special trains. Up to the victim was killed instantly.

The St. John police believe that Butterworth was followed home by someone, aware that he wore valuable jewelry and that as he passed into the shaded gate the assassin discharged a heavy calibre revolver close to his body. With remarkable swiftness the ring was removed from the fallen man's finger and before Mrs. Butterworth had opened the door the robber had disappeared.

LEE BARRY TO TAKE CHARGE

MILTON, Or., Oct. 20.—Lee Barry of this city has been appointed by the County Court to take charge of the Umatilla exhibit at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition.

PICTURES A FRAUD DECLARES MITCHELL

Has Not Authorized Posters Now in Circulation With Alleged Interview on Political Situation

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 20.—In a statement to the Associated Press, John Mitchell, former president of the Mine Workers of America, says that secretaries of various local unions have written him regarding the use of his picture with an interview below, purporting to give his views on the present political situation. Mitchell says he has authorized no such pictures and takes this means of informing the various locals of that fact. He says no poster containing his likeness is genuine and excepting circulars issued by the council of the American Federation

of Labor has made no statement expressing his views. Mitchell says that the federations policy is that of organized labor is not committed to any political party, but so far as in their power they are endeavoring to elect to office bonafide members of trade unions and others known to be in sympathy with political and industrial reforms necessary to the wage-earner. Other than circulars carrying out this idea which he has written and will continue to write, Mitchell says, were written supporting no candidate.